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TO RAID PIRATES.

DETAILS OF CANTON SCHEME.

BIG DRIVE PLANNED.

It is reported from Canton, that the scheme for pirate and bandit suppression which has been drawn up by General Li Chai-sum has been approved by the body specially appointed to consider this matter by the Committee for Political Affairs.

The report states that two divisions of troops are to be assigned to the task of rounding up the brigands and that a small squadron of gunboats will be detached to co-operate with the land forces whenever the need arises.

AEROPLANES TO BE USED.

Moreover, two aeroplanes are to be set aside for the purpose of bombing such pirates' strongholds as are inaccessible to troops and marines. A period of three months is mentioned as being necessary for this work.

In connection with the scheme, it is said that the conditions under which the agricultural population lives are to be improved by requiring landlords to reduce rentals by 25 per cent, it being thus hoped to lessen unemployment which often causes peasants to join bandit organisations. This proposal, however, is only temporary in character.

TRAINING SCHOOLS.

Another move in connection with the scheme is the proposed establishment of a military training school, the students from which, after graduation, will be given commissions in a new organisation to be known as the Provincial Defence Guards. It is intended to train at least 1,000 men at first, but the numbers will be gradually increased as occasion demands. There is also to be a technical school established for training officers and detectives for secret service, these to be politically and militarily employed. It is expected that at least three years will be devoted to this scheme.

PEASANT SLAVES.

Peasant slaves still exist in places along Shapu, it is learned as a result of an investigation made by the members of the Political Section of the 13th Division of the 4th Army, which has been engaged in bandit suppression, says the Canton Gazette. These peasant slaves are the property of landlords, it is stated, and are deprived of property and the right to marry. Steps for the abolition of this condition are being considered by Central Kuomintang Headquarters as the result of the proposals of Mr. Sun Ping-wen, Chief of the General Political Department. The Political Section of the division making the report has been instructed to make a more careful investigation of the matter.

FIGHT NEAR LIMCHOW.

The Telegraph's Limchow correspondent states that on the return journey of a recent trip to Ling Shuan, the sound of machine-guns in operation was heard at intervals during the whole day's travel from Mo Li to Cheung Lok. It later transpired that troops were besieging the stronghold of Lau Chi-wan, a brigand chief. Victory was gained at the expense of several lives, although the bandit chief himself escaped. An imposing monument has been erected on the Pakhoi motor road, about ten minutes' walk from the gate of Limchow city, in memory of 25 of the rank and file of the 33rd Division, including five officers, who were killed during the attack. The memorial has a dome and is painted blue, with a white star, and is surrounded by a cemented wall with looped chain pillars. Trees are planted near, and a rest house is in course of erection. Our correspondent states that since the Kuomintang took possession of Limchow in November last year, many improvements have been made—the streets are cleaner and in better condition, whilst robber bands have been kept in check, this being a great boon to farmers and village people.

THE STEAMBOAT CO. BOYCOTT.

UNION'S UNJUST DEMANDS REFUSED.

POSITION EXPLAINED.

Latest reports in regard to the boycotting of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company's vessels on arrival at Canton discount the reports that this is due to the Company having refused to re-instate the members of the crews who went on strike in June of last year.

Enquiries made show that about a month ago the Seamen's Union at Canton informed the Company that the Union desired to replace employees, who had acted as strike-breakers, by members of crews who were formerly in the Company's service. Subsequently, a meeting was arranged between the officials of the Seamen's Union and representatives of the Company, this taking place in Canton. At that meeting, an assurance was given to the Union that the Steamboat Company would re-instate former members of their crews as soon as vacancies occurred. The Union, however, refused to consider this as the basis of a settlement and put forward a demand that every Chinese member of the Company's present crews, old servants and temporary assistants alike, should be dismissed and their places filled by men supplied by the Union. These demands by the Union are, naturally, refused by the Company, on the grounds that they are wholly unjust and unreasonable in character, especially in view of the fact that about one half of the former employees have already returned to work on the Company's steamers.

OPIUM IN FURNACE.

"LUCHOW'S" FIREMEN CONVICTED.

The discovery of 2,170 taels of raw opium, valued at \$6,510, and 800 taels of prepared opium, valued at \$9,600, on board the China Navigation Co.'s steamer, Luchow, resulted in three men being charged with possession at the Central Magistracy on Saturday. Revenue Officer Ward said he went on board the Luchow when she came into port on Friday evening, and climbed into the stokehold through the furnace. He took two bags from the first furnace, one of these being open and tins of opium found lying loose. All the firemen, with the exception of No. 1, who was missing, were mustered, and witness learned that the three defendants were working in the stokehold on Friday afternoon when the fire was out.

They said No. 1 fireman gave them the opium to put in the furnace. It was stated that all three firemen had admitted putting the opium there. Major C. Willson postponed his decision in the case until this morning, when he imposed a fine of \$1,000, with the alternative of three months' hard labour, on each of the defendants.

"SUNNING" ENQUIRY.

WATTS ON CRIMINAL TRIAL.

The Secretary of the Sunning Piracy Commission informs us that the examination of witnesses from the s.s. Sunning will not be undertaken by the Commission until after the completion of the criminal proceedings on the piracy charge. Letters have meanwhile been addressed to the authorities at China Coast ports, and in Hongkong, to the Chambers of Commerce, China Coast Officers' Guild, Marine Engineers' Guild of China and companies concerned, requesting information which will enable the Commission to resume its sittings.

IT IS A NOTE.

JUDGMENT AGAINST BANK.

WOMAN'S CLAIM SUCCEEDS.

Holding that the note was not void, Mr. Justice Wood gave judgment against the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, in the Summary Court this morning, in a case in which a Chinese married woman sued the Bank for payment of a \$500 note from which the numbers were missing.

The plaintiff received two \$500 notes from her husband and placed them in a jacket pocket which she afterwards washed and ironed without removing the notes. During the process of ironing, she felt a lump in the pocket and discovered the notes. One of the notes was identified by the numbers and was paid by the Bank but the other was a mere lump of wet paper. The pieces were sorted out, but the numbers were missing, and are believed to have adhered to the rough lining of the pocket. The woman requested payment from the Bank on this note, but it was refused.

Mr. Somerset Fitzroy was for the plaintiff and Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., for the Bank.

GENUINE PORTIONS.

In delivering the judgment, his Lordship said it was conceded that the portions of the note produced in Court were pieces of a genuine \$500 banknote. After consideration of the authorities, he had arrived at the conclusion that the serial number was, in law, a material and essential part of the note. The established doctrine of Common Law, illustrated by leading cases, was to the effect that a material alteration of an instrument without the assent of the party sought to be charged upon it, even if made by a stranger and without the privity of either party, rendered an instrument void, inoperative to enforce any right based upon it. It was applied in a case against the Bank of England, where a serial number had been fraudulently altered and that note was held to be void.

A VITAL POINT.

The fundamental difficulty was to interpret the words "material alteration" as used in the doctrine of the Common Law. A material alteration would appear to be an act that converted a thing into something else so that its original character was replaced by a new character. It might also be a process with the same result. Though most of the reported cases were concerned with active alteration through human agency, the doctrine covered natural causes also. Deliberate and negligent conduct would have similar legal consequences in avoiding the instrument. But not every change, even in a material matter would constitute a material alteration. When the effect of an act or process was considered the pertinent question was:—What is the instrument now? If the only fitting description was "a portion of the original instrument," no new character had supervened. What had happened would then be recognised to be not an alteration but a damage. "Following this doctrine," continued his Lordship, "I hold that the document produced by the plaintiff to the Bank is merely a damaged note and not a materially altered one. It is therefore, in my opinion, not void."

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AMBASSADOR ROBBED.

BUSY BERLIN BURGLARS.

Berlin, Dec. 12. Burglars entered the Japanese Embassy and stole from the Ambassador's bedroom, Mr. Noguchi's passport, a gold cigarette case, a fur coat, 1,600 marks and other valuables.—Reuter.

RIVER COLLISIONS AT SHANGHAI.

SEVERAL LIVES BELIEVED LOST.

N.Y.K. WHARF DAMAGED.

Not a little excitement was caused in Shanghai harbour last Tuesday afternoon as a result of the efforts of the Dollar liner President McKinley to leave port under extremely difficult conditions due to the high tide and the strong wind which, despite the utmost efforts of the helmsman to combat, finally took possession of the great liner, threw it off its course and against the N.Y.K. Mail Wharf pontoons, several of which were completely smashed in addition to a considerable quantity of cargo stored thereon being thrown into the river.

The s.s. President McKinley left the Dollar Wharf in the early afternoon and proceeded downstream on a high tide, successfully as far as the Customs Jetty where, in negotiating the sharp bend at the Public Gardens, the strong tide carried the vessel against the N.Y.K. pontoons. The starboard anchor was immediately dropped, but found difficulty in securing a hold upon the riverbed. The liner first hit a steel lighter loaded with several hundred tons of beams and thus commenced colliding with two Japanese steamers berthed at the wharf. Great thick wooden beams connecting the pontoon with the shore were smashed to matchwood by the force of the impact while several sampans, moored between the pontoons and the wharf, were capsized, the owners being thrown into the water and it is believed, drowned.

Staunch-looking concrete piles which formed part of the pontoon moorings were smashed and twisted in the collision and the McKinley passed on leaving a trail of wreckage in her wake. Several tugs were hastily summoned to the aid of the helpless liner and these eventually succeeded in setting her on the right track once more. By some strange chance the McKinley was undamaged and was able to proceed on her way to Hongkong without further delay. A second collision occurred yesterday when a Dollar tug, assisting the inward bound liner President Taft to berth, crashed into the beam of a P. & O. tug engaged in a similar occupation with a P. & O. boat. No serious damage was done.

HARBOUR EXPLOSIONS.

BIG SCARE IN NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 12. A series of loud detonations in New York Harbour caused a panic among the hundreds of families living in waterfront tenements who fled from their homes fearing another munitions disaster.

Windows were broken for a radius of half a mile. The explosions occurred aboard an oil tanker, anchored off Brooklyn, which sank one hour later. None of the crew was seriously injured.—Reuter's American Service.

CHEMICAL DISCOVERY.

HAILED AS GREAT ADVANCE.

Rugby, Dec. 12. The London Observer's scientific correspondent states that two British professors, Dr. Harlington, of the University College Hospital, and Mr. Barger, of Edinburgh, have produced synthesis of thyroxin, the hormone produced by the thyroid gland. The Observer says the discovery marks a great advance in bio-chemistry for which chemists throughout the world have searched for many years.—British Wire.

HELD BY BANDITS.

C. M. S. MISSIONARY'S EXPERIENCE.

THREE DAYS A CAPTIVE.

The Telegraph correspondent at Foochow reports the capture by bandits of the Rev. B. G. Parsons, of the Church Missionary Society, and his subsequent release after being held three days in captivity, bound with ropes.

Writing under date of the 8th instant, our correspondent states:—On December 3rd, the news reached Foochow of the capture by bandits of the Rev. B. G. Parsons on November 30th in the neighbourhood of Shanyang, east of Ktien. The same afternoon, a further letter came telling that he would be released on December 3rd, and to-day I hear that he was actually set free on that date.

CHURCH OCCUPIED.

It appears that Mr. Parsons was in Shanyang when he heard that the church in a village some distance out had been occupied by some of the "Student Army," and he and two Chinese workers went out to see if they were still in possession or not, and to do what they could to encourage the Christians thus deprived of their place of worship. They found that it was still occupied by the "students," and in course of time went on their way.

At a rather lonely part of the road they were overtaken by a party of six or seven bandits who searched them all, but only took Mr. Parsons, driving the others away. They bound his hands and hurried him off in an easterly direction.

Soon after leaving the others, they fired two shots in the air, and his friends did not know whether he had been shot or not. The journey continued far into the night, with a brief halt for supper, but about midnight they took possession of an empty house, where Mr. Parsons shared a room with several of them for two days.

RANSOM WANTED.

It appeared that their purpose was simply and solely to get a large ransom for him: they hoped to get about \$20,000. But no time was lost by the Christians in Shanyang, who speedily sent to the head, bandit, who is quite well known to them, and succeeded in making it clear to him that there was no hope whatever of getting any ransom at all, and that nothing would be gained by keeping their captive any longer, with the result above mentioned, that he was released unconditionally on 3rd December.

Mr. Parsons professes to be none the worse for his unpleasant experience.

WORK OF STUDENTS?

Whether the occurrence had anything to do with the present state of unrest owing to the change of Government, is hard to decide. As far as I know, this is the first case in Ktien of a C.M.S. missionary being taken by bandits; and one cannot help thinking that the "Student Army" had something to do with it.

Owing to the cutting of telegraphic and postal communication for several days, Foochow heard of his release on the same day as the news of his capture, and was thus saved the long days of anxiety which fell to the lot of those nearer the spot.

CHARLIE CHAPLIN.

WIFE SUES FOR DIVORCE.

Los Angeles, Dec. 12. Mrs. Charlie Chaplin, having failed to negotiate a matrimonial settlement out of court, is filing a suit of divorce against Charlie, with the custody of the children.—Reuter's American Service.

AMERICA'S SURPLUS FUNDS.

NOT FOR REDUCTION OF TAXES.

ALIEN PROPERTY BILL.

Washington, Dec. 12.

The Ways and Means Committee of the House of Representatives, which is controlled by republicans, has voted in favour of making no disposition of the surplus, which is estimated at \$885,000,000. This means that the surplus will probably be applied to the reduction of the public debt at the end of the fiscal year on June and that there will be no immediate revision of taxes. The Democrats allege that the republicans intend to stage a big tax reduction just before the Presidential election in 1928.

The Committee has approved of the final draft of an Aliens' Property Bill which will be introduced in the House of Representatives, on Dec. 15. It is understood that it provides for the immediate part payment of each of the awards and proposes the creation of a Commission to determine the value of the ships, wireless stations, and patents seized from Germany. An appropriation to cover this amount, estimated slightly to exceed \$100,000,000 will be authorised. This appropriation, plus funds held by the Alien Property Custodian, will be used to meet the immediate payments, while money due to the United States under the Dawes Plan will be used to cover the balance.—Reuter's American Service.

SMART WORK.

THEFT OF CLOTH FROM STEAMER.

Some smart work was put in by the Kowloon police when they raided two houses in Canton Road and arrested seven Chinese men and one woman in connection with the presence on the premises of rolls of cloth which have been identified as being stolen by cargo-pilferers from the Blue Funnel Danie, on Friday, as the steamer was lying alongside Holt Wharf. The police action was taken before a report, notifying them of the theft, was received from the officers of the steamer concerned. The alleged connection of the arrested Chinese with the loss of the goods, which were taken from four cases broached open in one of the holds, was it is said, then established. The men will be brought up before the Kowloon Magistrate in due course.

THREE-LEGGED BOY.

ON SHOW IN WANCHAI.

There is now on exhibition in Wanchai a most unusual freak of nature. This is a Chinese boy who was born with three lower limbs. Beyond this, the lad is normal in mind and body. A handbill distributed gives the information that the boy was one of a set of triplets born of Chinese parents. The other two children are normal in all respects.

HOME SECRETARY ILL.

HIS DUTIES TAKEN OVER.

Rugby, Dec. 12. Sir Austen Chamberlain, who this week takes over the duties of Home Secretary from Sir William Joynson-Hicks, whose illness will probably prevent him resuming work until early next year.—British Wireless.

HEAVY FIGHTING.

OPERATIONS NEAR FOOCHEW.

STAND BY NAVAL FORCES.

Our Foochow correspondent, writing under date of the 8th inst., says:—During the last few days severe fighting has been reported from the south bank of the Min, near the Yunfu River. There are said to have been heavy losses on both sides, and many innocent villagers have suffered. The naval forces have held their own, and the remnants of the Northern strong, cannot hold out much longer.

RELEASED FROM PRISON.

On Sunday, 5th December, a large meeting was held in the West Park to welcome Mr. Huang Tieng-hung who was released from prison last week. He came to Foochow to start a school last year, but was arrested and imprisoned for conspiracy in the interests of the Kuomintang. At the meeting yesterday Gen. Li was the chief speaker and almost shed tears as he spoke of the difficulties that beset him in his efforts to avoid disturbance in Foochow. He certainly seems to be doing his best in this direction; I understand that he is responsible for the arrest within the last few days of twenty or thirty "students" for illegal possession of fire-arms. Whether any of them were among those involved in the barbarous treatment of Chang Kwo-hwa, described before, I do not know. At all events there seem to have been no further outrages of that sort.

The Y.M.C.A. School near the Long Bridge disbanded last week, and the M. F. M. Anglo-Chinese College closed on 7th December for a week. As far as I know, the other Mission schools are going on as usual, and have not been molested in any way, though some of those in the city have diminished numbers owing to the exodus of many well-to-do families to the quieter atmosphere of Nantai.

SOUTHERNERS IN CONTROL?

A Chinese news agency reports that the city of Foochow is now in complete control of the Kuomintang, whose members have established the Government on the committee system, with Mr. Wang Chin-wan as its chairman. The latter is one of the oldest members of the revolutionary movement, having been associated with the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen from the inception of the Tung Ming-hui.

It is stated that the Foochow Squadron came to be allied with the Kuomintang through the instrumentality of General Fong Sing-to who was recently appointed by the Nationalist Government as the Civil Administrator of Fukien. It is also reported that the clash between the vanguards of General Chang Yi and the Marines came about through the mistake of the commander of the vanguards, in not changing his units' colours for those of the Nationalist revolutionary Army, thus giving the idea that General Chang Yi was attempting to take Foochow and make himself Tsupan. The matter is now cleared up and his remaining forces have been incorporated in the 2nd Division under General Tan Shun-ning and are being despatched to the Chekiang frontier.

TROOP MOVEMENTS.

General Ho Ying-yun, having received the appointment of Commander-in-Chief of the armies operating against Chekiang, is proceeding thither to direct operations. The armies under Generals Lu Teh-ping and Lai Sal-wang have passed Chuchow-Fu and are advancing on Kin Hwa and Yung-chow, meeting with no opposition thus far, while the 2nd and 14th Divisions are making forced marches on parallel lines to the coast. It is expected that Wenchow will fall into the hands of the Nationalists soon, for advance reconnoitring parties report the road to Taichow to be clear.

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A TRAGIC OUTING AT
LANTAO.

Lieut. M.A. Maude, the well known Naval flying officer, met his death in tragic circumstances on Saturday evening at Lantau Island. Together with two companions, he went out to Lantau by yacht, and while the party was walking across the island a shot was heard, and it was found that Lieut. Maude was badly injured in the face, the shotgun he was carrying having apparently gone off by accident. Life was pronounced extinct when he was removed to hospital.

The others in the party were Lieut. H. A. Day and Mr. Montague. In his report to the police, the former states that the shooting party left Hongkong about three o'clock on Saturday afternoon on the yacht Tavi II, with the intention of going to Lantau to shoot game.

It appears that when Lantau was reached the yacht landed the party at one point on the island and had instructions to go further round and wait until the party walked over the hills and rejoined the yacht.

A Stumble?

About 6 o'clock they were walking down the hills, with Lieut. Maude in the rear. Suddenly Lieut. Day heard a shot behind, and on looking back saw that Lieut. Maude had been shot in the face.

He surmised that as the hill was fairly steep, Lieut. Maude had stumbled and that his gun had gone off accidentally. The shot had inflicted very severe injuries.

With the help of Mr. Montague, Lieut. Day got the injured officer down the hill and to the yacht, and they made for Tsin Wan at all speed. From there Sergeant Forbes telephoned for an ambulance, and Lieut. Maude was conveyed to the Kowloon Military Hospital. On arrival, however, the medical officer in charge found him to be dead, and the body was later removed to the Royal Naval mortuary.

A Popular Officer.

Lieutenant Maurice Anthony Maude was well-known in the Colony and a most popular officer, and the sad news of his death will be a shock to his many friends. He attained seniority in April, 1920, and first came to the China station in 1925 on H.M.S. Hermes.

He was a qualified pilot, and did a considerable amount of flying. When H.M.S. Hermes left the station and returned to the Mediterranean he was left at Hongkong with two other officers in charge of a flight of seaplanes which were housed in the Naval Camber, Kowloon. He transferred to the Tamar at this time, but on the arrival of H.M.S. Vindictive was posted to that vessel.

Decided was a member of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club, and did a good deal of sailing at one period, owning Lola of the Heyward Heys class. He was fond of riding, and owned the well-known pony Black Mouse. Lieut. Maude also frequently played polo, and rode at Happy Valley and Kwant. He acted as best man, at Lieut. Day's wedding recently.

Assisted Gallarza.

When the Spanish aviators flying from Spain to Manila had trouble with their machine at Macao, Lt. Maude was sent from Hongkong to assist Lt. Gallarza. When Gallarza first arrived it was Lt. Maude who flew from Hongkong to Macao and dropped a congratulatory message to the Spanish aviator, and gave a wonderful exhibition flight with stunts over the Portuguese colony. The funeral will take place at 5 p.m. to-day.

Singapore, Dec. 12.

Four hundred and fifty American college students aboard the steamer Ryndam, known as the "floating university," which is making a world cruise, were entertained on arrival here at Government House.—*Reuter.*

CHINA COAST
DISASTER.

INDO-CHINA BOAT
FOUNDERS.

Shanghai, Dec. 12.
Messrs. Jardine Matheson's s.s. Lianshing struck the Amherst Rocks, 64 miles out of Shanghai at four o'clock this morning and sank almost immediately.

A pilot boat in the vicinity rescued the officers and foreign passengers, and it is believed almost all the Chinese, except three who are known to be dead.

There is no news as to whether any are missing. The pilot boat took them to Shanghai. The foreign passengers were clad in their night clothes.

40 Chinese Missing.

According to the latest information, when the Lianshing struck she listed over, then slid off the rocks, sinking completely an hour later.

The women and children were taken off first, but many other passengers were thrown into the water.

The Ellerman liner Colorado was the first ship on the scene to aid in the work of rescue, and most of the foreign passengers secured clothing on this vessel. Afterwards a pilot vessel took off most of the passengers, bringing them to Shanghai.

It is confirmed that all the foreign officers and passengers were saved, but out of 150 Chinese passengers it is feared 40 are missing.

The Lianshing was the star liner of the China Coast being built and launched at Hongkong in 1924.

Amherst Rocks are unlighted, and very strong currents run in the vicinity.—*Reuter.*

A New Vessel.

The Lianshing left Shanghai for Chefoo and Tientsin on December 3, with a general cargo, and was on her return trip to Shanghai when the disaster occurred.

Her master is Captain Simpson, a well-known China coaster, who has had the majority of his experience in Jardine vessels. Capt. Simpson was engaged on the Hongkong-Bangkok, Hongkong-Manila and Hongkong-Tientsin runs before taking command of the Lianshing which, since her launching, has always been engaged on the northern run. He was formerly master of the Chipehing and the Cheongshing.

The Lianshing was the biggest and most up-to-date of all the Indo-China Navigation Company's fleet. She was built in Hongkong by the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co. Ltd., in 1924, and was launched on March 26 in that year by Mrs. A. B. Stewart. Her deadweight was 2,735 tons and her speed 13½ knots.

She was 300 feet in length, the length between perpendiculars being 285 feet. Her breadth moulded was 44 feet and depth moulded 24 feet. She was equipped with the most modern machinery for cargo handling, and had accommodation for 28 first class passengers in two-roomed berths, and 56 second class passengers. The first class public rooms consisted of tastefully appointed dining room, lounge and smoke room.

FIRM'S LOSSES.

WAR TO PEACE.

London, Dec. 11.
Following a recent unfavourable report disclosing great losses, due mostly to post-war methods of transferring activities to ordinary industrial enterprises, the directors of Armstrong-Whitworth have circularised shareholders stating that approximately £10,000,000 from the Company's capital was invested in undertakings foreign to the original business on which no return had been made or was likely to be made for some time and appealing to second and consolidated mortgage stockholders and others involved to the extent of nearly £7,000,000 for a modification of existing arrangements.—*Reuter.*

CATTLE DISEASE.

REMARKABLE DIMINUTION IN
BRITAIN.

Rugby, Dec. 11.
A remarkable diminution in foot and mouth disease throughout Great Britain was declared yesterday by Rt. Hon. Walter Guinness, Minister of Agriculture, to have thoroughly justified the embargo on the importation of foreign carcasses.

Hitherto, whenever disease had increased in the five nearest continental countries, a similar tendency had been apparent in England. This year, owing, he believed, to the embargo which cut England adrift from continental infection, fewer outbreaks had occurred here than at any time since the disease became serious six years ago, despite increases on the continent.

The embargo would be maintained while the state of Europe made it necessary for the protection of British livestock.—*British Wire-*

FRENCH SILK
INDUSTRY.

RESTRICTION OF WORKING
HOURS.

Paris, Dec. 12.
The Lyons silk manufacturers, says *Le Matin*, have decided to reduce the working time of weaving establishments to forty hours a week, to avoid the possibility of a prolonged stoppage in the silk industry.—*Reuter.*

KORRY AND INDIGESTION.

Your worried and harassed individual never digests food properly. Over acidity of the stomach, a phase of indigestion, is closely connected with mental disturbances.

This very condition of worry has its bearing upon the condition of the blood; and, conversely, the condition of the blood is not without responsibility for worry. In fact, so closely inter-dependent are the various functionings of the human system, that to affect one is to affect the majority, if not all.

This serves to explain why a given remedy is effective in counteracting what at first sight would seem to be widely divergent ailments. These ailments are traceable either directly or indirectly to an unsatisfactory condition of the blood. To remedy this condition, there is required something to stimulate one or more organs. These being properly activated, the blood is brought into condition, and this, in turn, dissipates symptoms which appear to be totally unrelated, such as worry and indigestion.

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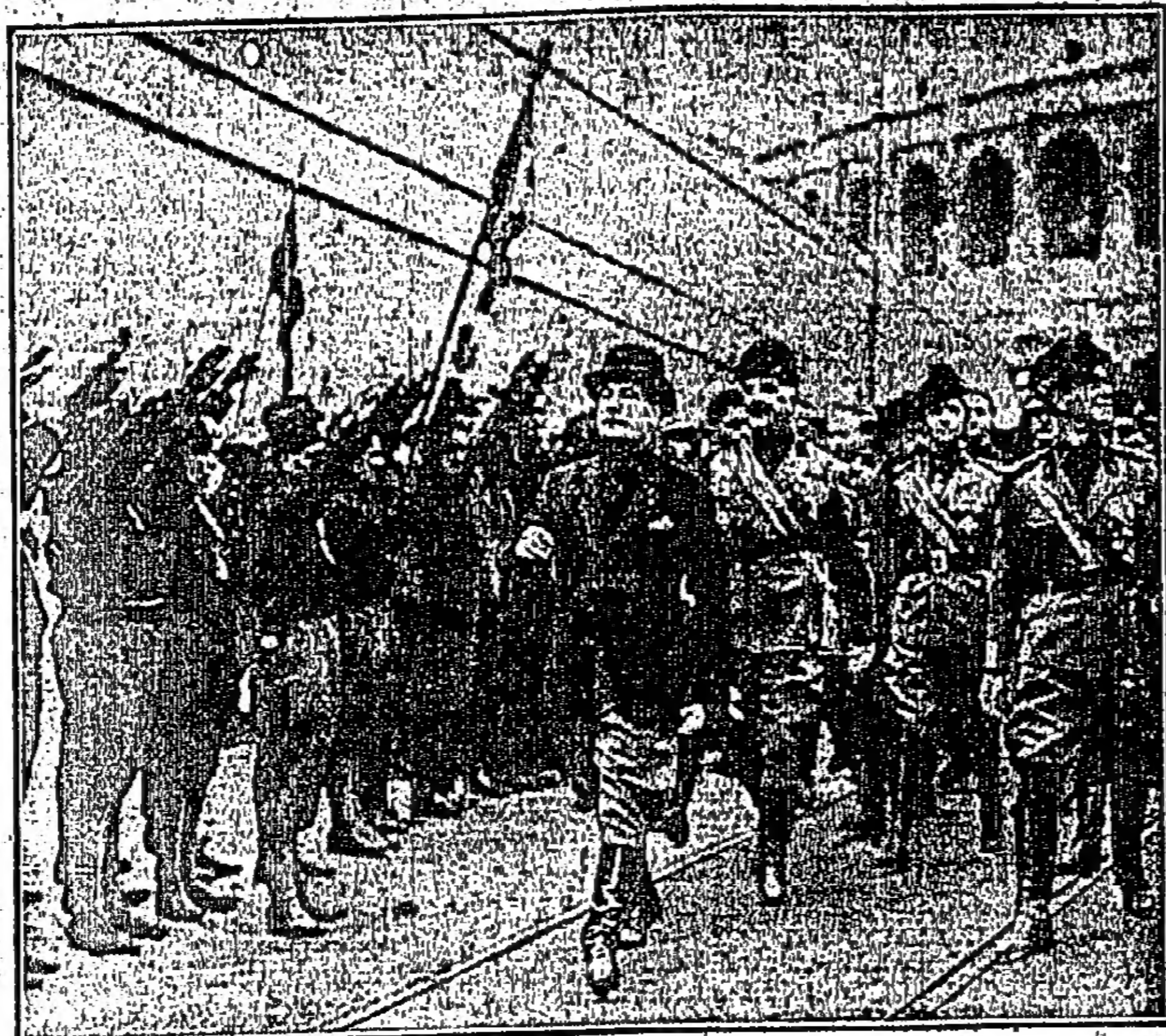
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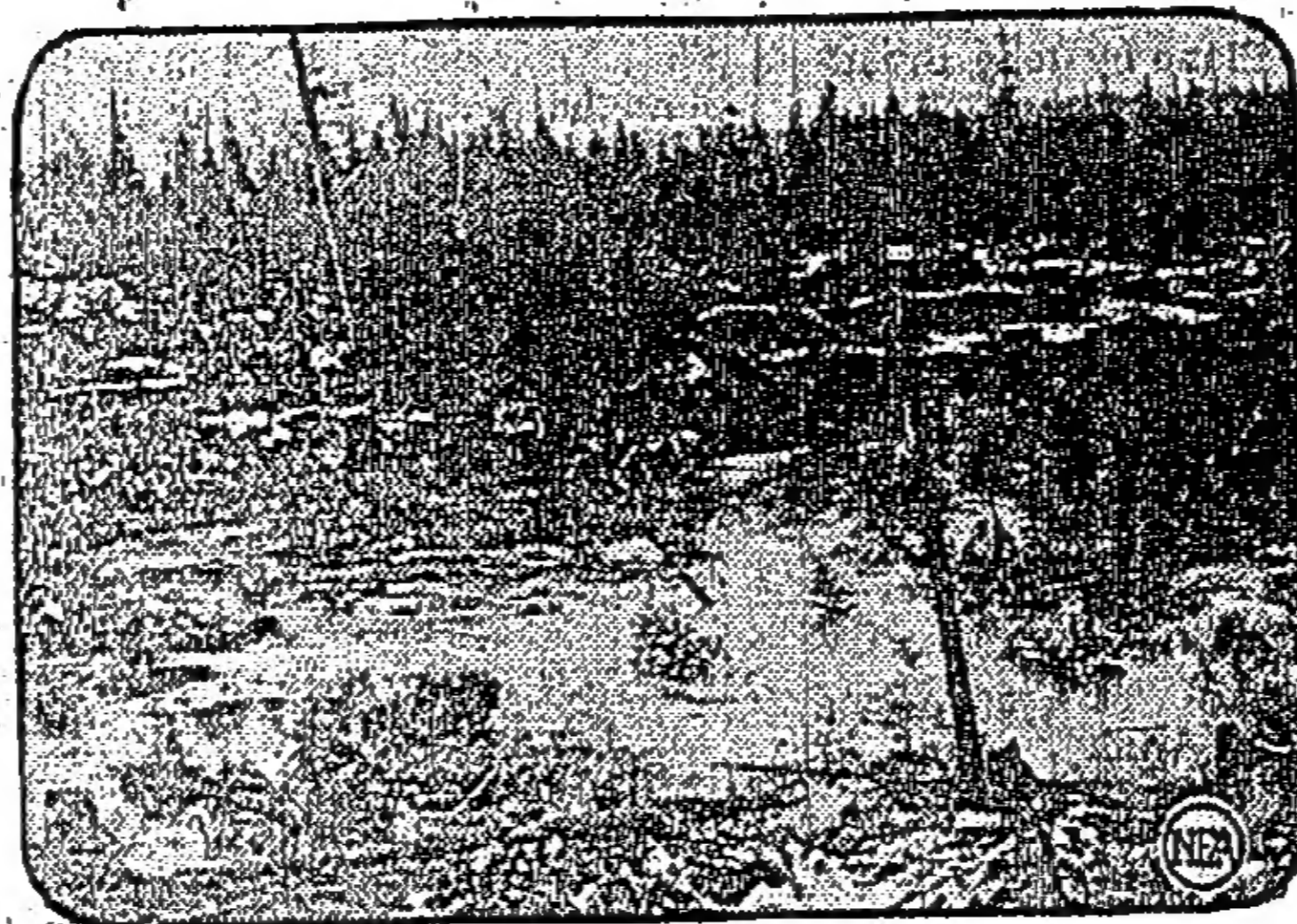
PRESENTATIONS TO THEATRE IN SEATTLE.—Assembling the scrolls presented by the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, Shanghai, and the Society for the study of Chinese Pictorial Art, Peking, which were donated to the Fifth Avenue Theatre, Seattle. On the left Mr. Arthur, Manager of the Washington State Theatres, Ltd. and Captain Nichols of the U.S. President Jefferson, who carried the presentations from China to Seattle. Several other societies and organizations in China sent fitting presents on the occasion of the opening ceremony.



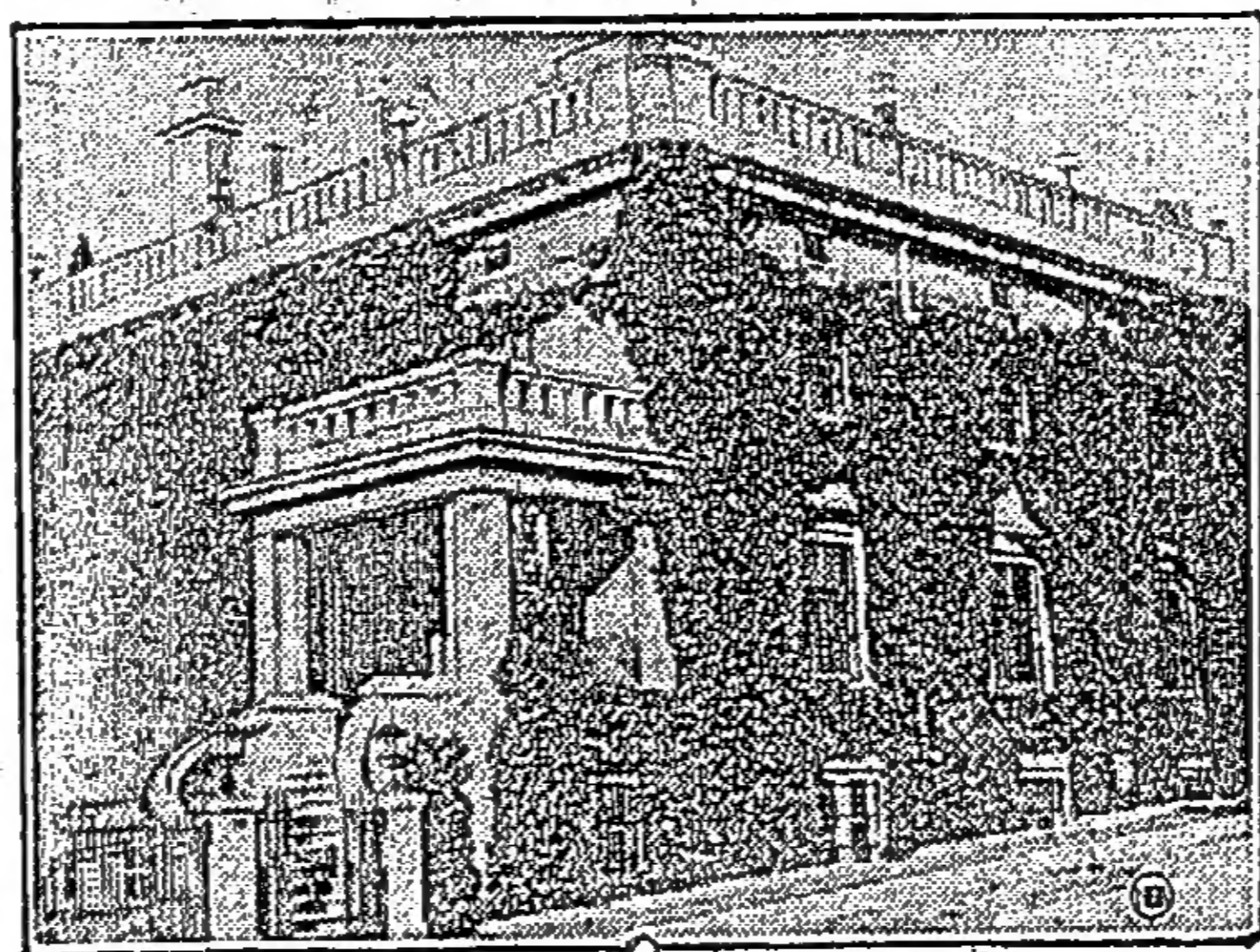
THE FASCIST MARCH ON ROME.—Signor Mussolini leaving the Coliseum at Rome after addressing the Balilla and Advance Guards (children and adolescent Fascists) at the fourth anniversary celebrations of the Fascist march on Rome. The Advance Guards who filled the Coliseum, had come from all parts of Italy. (Times copyright.)



A PRETTY NOVEMBER WEDDING.—Group taken after the wedding on November 13, at Holy Trinity Cathedral, of Mr. Edward John Lloyd, and Miss Crichton Hunter-Jones. The bride was attended by her sister, Mrs. L. Moore Cosgrave, and her little niece, Gloria Cosgrave. Mr. G. Richet performed the duties of best man.



UNDERGROUND LAKE FLOODS MINE.—Six acres of ground sank into this morass when an underground lake burst through walls of the Barnes-Hecker iron mine at Ishpeming, Michigan, a quarter of a mile distant, and drowned 51 men. Banks around the edge show how the earth collapsed.



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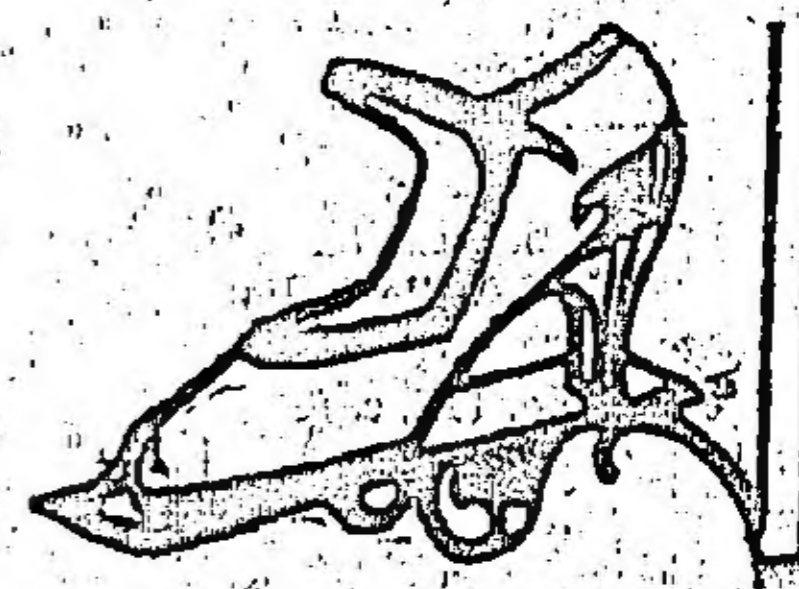
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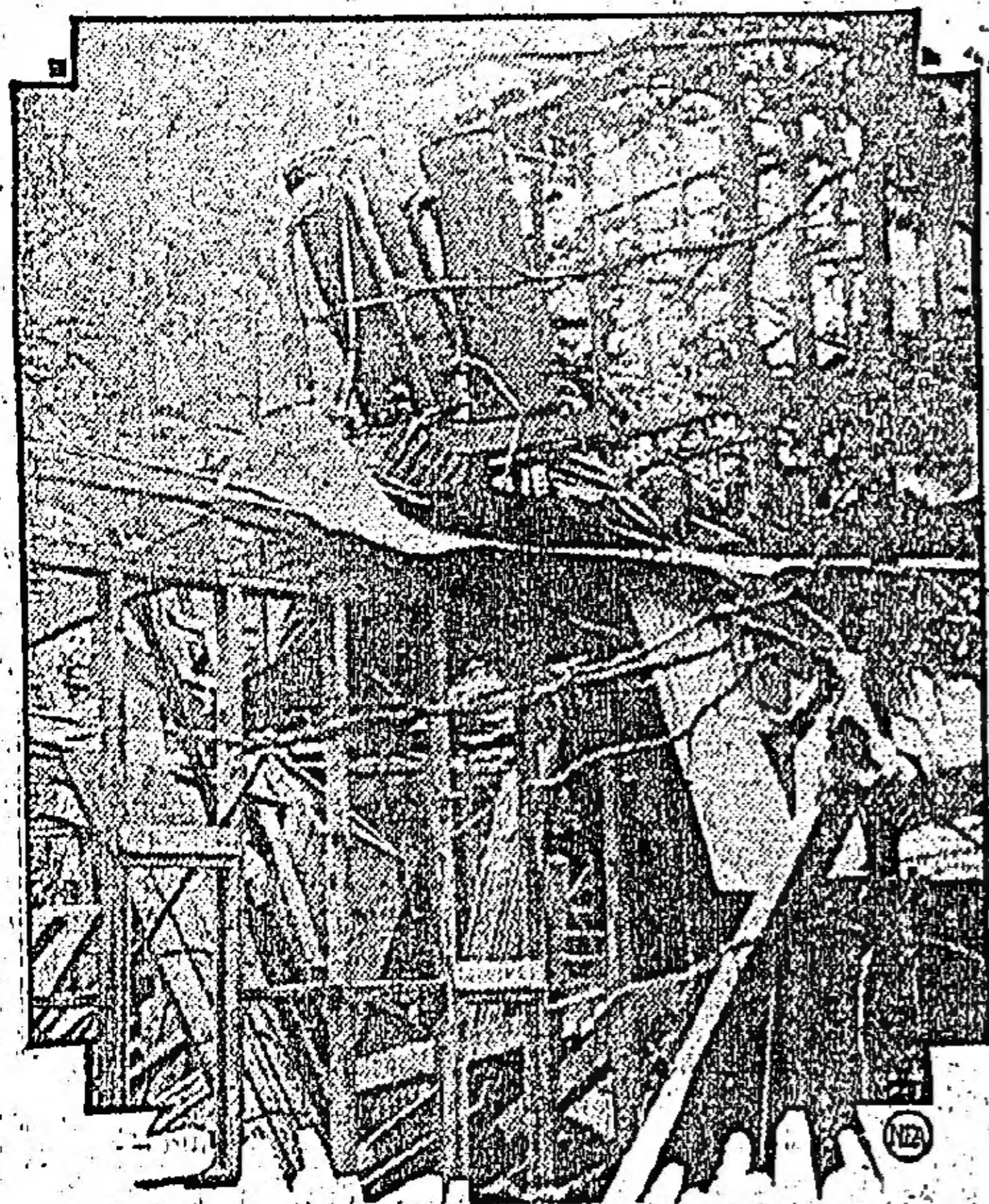
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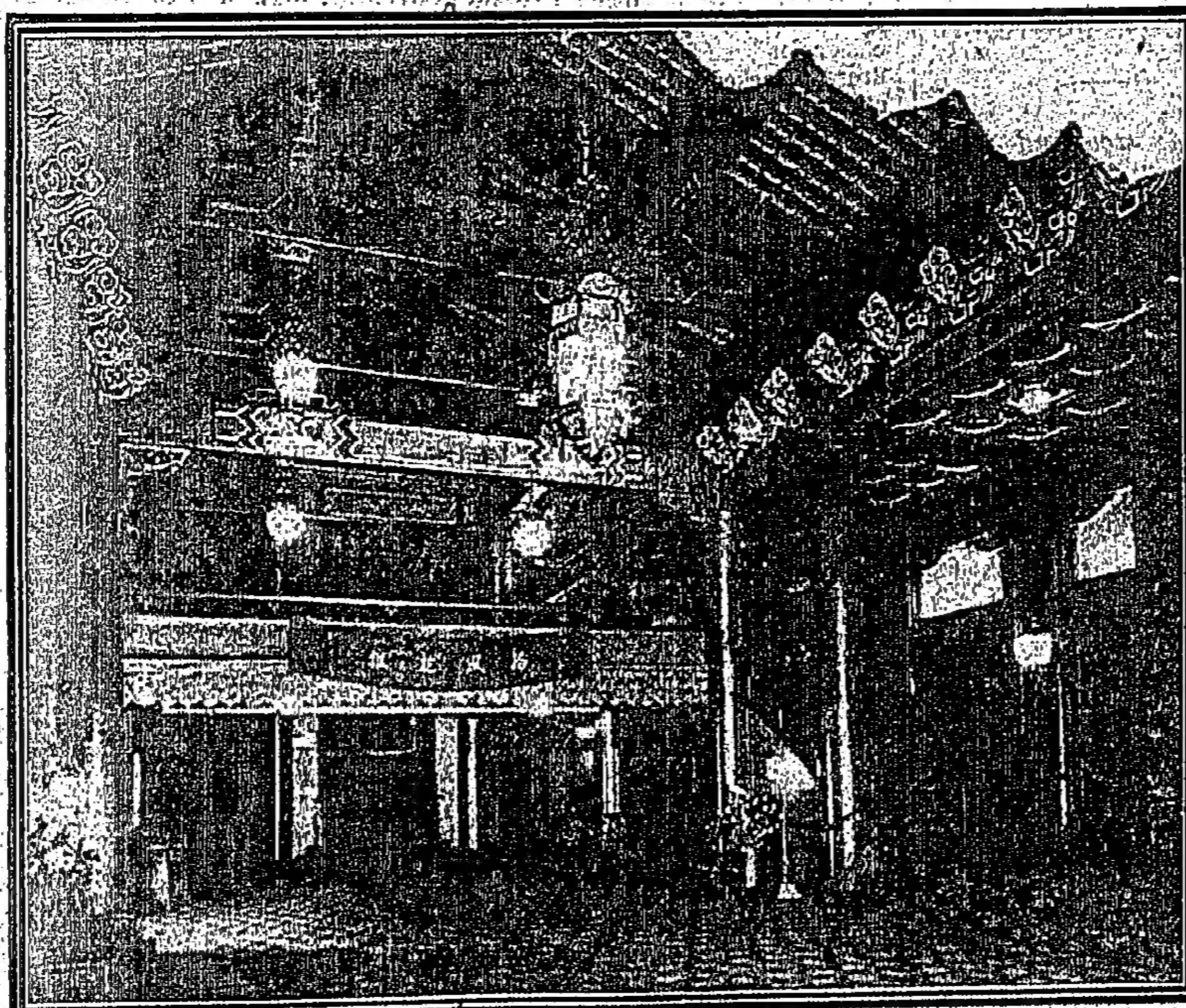
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BEAUTIFUL CHINESE INTERIOR OF SEATTLE THEATRE.—The foyer of Fifth Avenue Theatre, Seattle, facing the rear and showing the mezzanine floor. Note the ceiling, patterned after the Imperial Palace Buildings, Peking. The scroll bearing characters was presented by Dr. V. K. Ting, Director of the Ports of Shanghai and Woosung, on the occasion of the opening ceremony.

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 20th December will be subject to rent.

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Chartered Bank, £21 s.
Mercantile C. & B., £302 n.
Mercantile C., £133 n.
P. and O., £93 b.
East Asia, \$84 n.

Marine Ins.
Canton Ins., \$640 b.
China Underwriters, \$145 sa
North China, Tls. 145 n.
Union Ins., 233 n.
Yantai Ins., \$45 s.

Fire Ins.
China Firs., \$200 b.
Hongkong Fire, 615 b.

Shipping
Douglases, \$231 b.
Steamboats, \$26 b.
Tugs, \$12 b.
Indo-China, (Pref.) \$32 b.
Shanghai Trans., \$90/- n.
Star Ferries, \$60 s.
Waterboats, \$15 b.

Refineries.
China Sugars, \$25 s.
Malabons, \$36 n.

Mining.
Bonguets, \$150 n.
Kallans, 38/- n.
Langkats, Tls. 27 n.
Shanghai Exploration, Tls. 450 n.
Shanghai Loans, Tls. 900 b.
Raubas, \$41 n.
Tronols, 58/- n.
Ural Caspians, 8/- n.

Docks, etc.
Kowloon Wharves, \$115 n.
Whampoa Docks, \$50 s.
Hongkong, Tls. 173 n.
New Engineering, Tls. 660 b.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 117 s.

Lands, Hotels, etc.
H. and S. Hotels, \$9.50 s.
H.K. Lands, \$59 s.
Realty, \$6.15 b.
Territorials, \$3 s.
Humphreys, \$15 s.
Princes Bldgs, \$39 n.
Rural Lands, \$11 n.

Cottons.
Ewos Cottons, Tls. 91 s.
Orientals, Tls. 3 s.
Shai Cottons, Tls. 54/- n.

Buses, Trams.
China Buses, \$91 b.
Tramways, \$231 s.
Peak Trams, (old) \$15 n.
Spore Trams, 15/- s.
Taxi, \$2 s.

Miscellaneous.
Amusements, \$16 b.
Canton Ice, \$5 n.
Comments (Comb.), \$11 s.
China Lights, \$171 b.
China Prov., \$5.25 b.
Constructions, \$1.75 b.
Dairy Farms, \$181 b.
Der A. Wing, \$6 n.
H'kong Electric, \$57 b.
Macao Electric, \$35 n.
Ropes (Comb.), \$26 s.
Lane Crawfords, \$8 n.
Mackintosh, \$194 n.
Sinceres, \$91 s.
United Asbestos, \$20 s.
Watsons, \$13 n.
Powells, \$61 n.

The local veto campaign in Scotland, now in full swing, was responsible for a dramatic incident at Stewarton, in Ayrshire, where the Temperance Party were striving to retain the dry state of that rural town last month. When Captain Home Bruce, formerly publicity officer for the Trade, rose to address a packed audience in the Institute Hall, he drew a revolver from his pocket and laid it on the table. He little thought, he remarked, that he would be compelled to appear on a Scottish platform armed with a weapon of self-defence, but he had been a victim of "no licence" platform. If these threats meant personal violence, he intended to sell his life dearly. That was the second anniversary of his wife's death, which he believed had been accelerated by threats to himself.

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RESULTS AND LEAGUE TABLES.

Division I.

Birmingham	0	Arsenal	0
Blackburn	0	Aston Villa	0
Bury	0	Sheff. U.	0
Everton	0	Cardiff	0
Huddersfield	1	Bolton	0
Leicester	0	Burnley	0
Manchester	0	Manchester U.	0
Sheff. Wed.	0	Newcastle	0
Tottenham	1	Liverpool	0
West Brom.	0	Derby	0
West Ham	0	Leeds	0

Division II.

Sunderland	21	11	4	6	46	30	26
Burnley	20	10	5	5	47	34	25
Huddersfield	19	11	1	1	38	27	25
Newcastle	19	10	4	5	48	30	24
Bolton	18	9	4	5	38	23	22
Wednesday	20	8	6	6	37	39	22
Tottenham	19	8	5	6	42	35	21
Leicester	19	8	5	6	46	41	21
Birmingham	19	9	3	7	23	35	21
Arsenal	19	6	8	5	35	36	20
West Ham	18	8	3	7	34	28	19
Leeds	19	7	4	8	38	37	18
Bury	20	5	8	7	36	41	18
Sheff. U.	19	6	7	3	33	41	18
Liverpool	18	8	1	9	30	28	17
Manoh. U.	18	6	5	7	25	36	17
Cardiff	19	6	4	9	26	32	16
Aston Villa	19	6	4	9	33	42	16
Blackburn	19	6	4	9	34	51	16
Everton	21	4	6	11	32	46	14
Derby	18	6	11	1	34	35	13
West Brom	19	4	3	12	29	46	11

Division III.

Barnsley	1	Bradford	0
Blackpool	0	Clapton O.	0
Darlington	0	Preston N.E.	1
Fulham	4	Wolves	1
Manchester	3	Cheltenham	0
Oldham	1	Southampton	1
Oldham A.	1	Hull City	1
Portsmouth	1	South Shields	1
Swansea	2	Port Vale	2

Division III (North).

Bradford	3	Durham	0
New Brighton	2	Hartlepool	1
Rotherham	1	Rochdale	1

Division III (South).

Aberdeen	1	Swindon	4
Newport	1	Millwall	4
Plymouth	2	Queen's Park	0

Division III (North).

Swindon	17	11	4	2	47	29	26
Brighton	16	11	3	2	40	18	25
Bristol	17	10	4	3	43	24	24
Millwall	19	9	5	3	39	26	23
Newport	18	10	3	5	27	23	23
Plymouth	18	8	5	3	33	27	21
Southend	17	9	2	6	38	26	20
Luton	16	8	4	4	25	22	20
Crystal Pal.	16	7	5	4	32	26	19
Exeter	16	7	4	5	38	25	18
Brentford	16	7	4	5	37	23	18
Watford	17	8	1	8	24	26	17
Motherwell	17	7	2	8	26	27	16
Norwich	18	5	5	8	33	42	15
Gillingham	17	5	3	9	23	29	13
Bournemouth	16	4	5	7	26	33	13
Q. P. R.	18	5	3	10	30	39	13
Bristol R.	17	4	5	8	20	30	13
Charlton	15	4	3	8	19	28	11
Norwich	18	3	3	12	25	49	9
Coventry	17	4	1	12	22	46	9
Aberdeen	18	3	2	13	20	44	8

Division III (South).

Swindon	17	11	4	2	47	29	26
Brighton	16	11	3	2	40	18	25
Bristol	17	10	4	3	43	24	24
Millwall	19	9	5	3	39	26	23
Newport	18	10	3	5	27	23	23
Plymouth	18	8	5	3	33	27	21
Southend	17	9	2	6	38	26	20
Luton	16	8	4	4	25	22	20
Crystal Pal.	16	7	5	4	32	26	19
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EXPLANATIONS UNSATISFACTORY.

Paris, Dec. 11.
The question of the withdrawal of allied military control from Germany has not advanced as a result of the conference of ambassadors. At the meeting it was learned that the allied military experts unanimously agreed that Germany's disarmament was in nowise complete.

The ambassadors decided to send a full report to the foreign ministers at Geneva. Experts declared that the German General von Fawell's explanations regarding the crucial points of eastern fortifications and traffic in war material were unsatisfactory and the next move lies with foreign ministers.

A Secret Meeting.

Geneva, Dec. 12.
An agreement has been reached between the representatives of Britain, France, Italy, Belgium, Japan and Germany for a private meeting of the Council after day-long discussions on the question of military control in Germany.

A hitch has arisen in the German disarmament discussions. No agreement has been reached. M. Briand did not receive final instructions from Paris, where the cabinet is divided, therefore the decisive meeting of the six powers, which was to be held to-night, will be postponed till to-morrow.—*Reuter.*

A Controversial Point.

London, Dec. 12.
A point holding up the Geneva discussion is the date for replacing the Allied military control in Germany by League supervision.

A Paris message from Geneva says that after yesterday's French Government's reply, it is pointed out that the Allied colleagues consider the pourparlers for the fixing of the above-mentioned date have advanced too far to permit their adjournment till the Ambassadors' Council and Reich have agreed on questions of fortifications in East Prussia and manufacture of war material.

On the contrary, the Allied colleagues have agreed that the date should be fixed at Geneva in the beginning of the present session, while any controversial points between the Reich and the Ambassadors' Council should be submitted to the Hague Court.

The nature of the French Government's reply is at present unknown.—*Reuter.*

LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

**CONVENTION TO CONTROL
COUNTERFEITING.**

Geneva, Dec. 11.
The Council of the League of Nations has decided that the expert committee to draft the international conventions to deal with counterfeiting shall consist of M. Pospisil, the Acting-Chairman of the Finance Committee, and representatives of the Banque de France, the Reichsbank, the Schweizerische Bankverein and the Argentine National Bank.

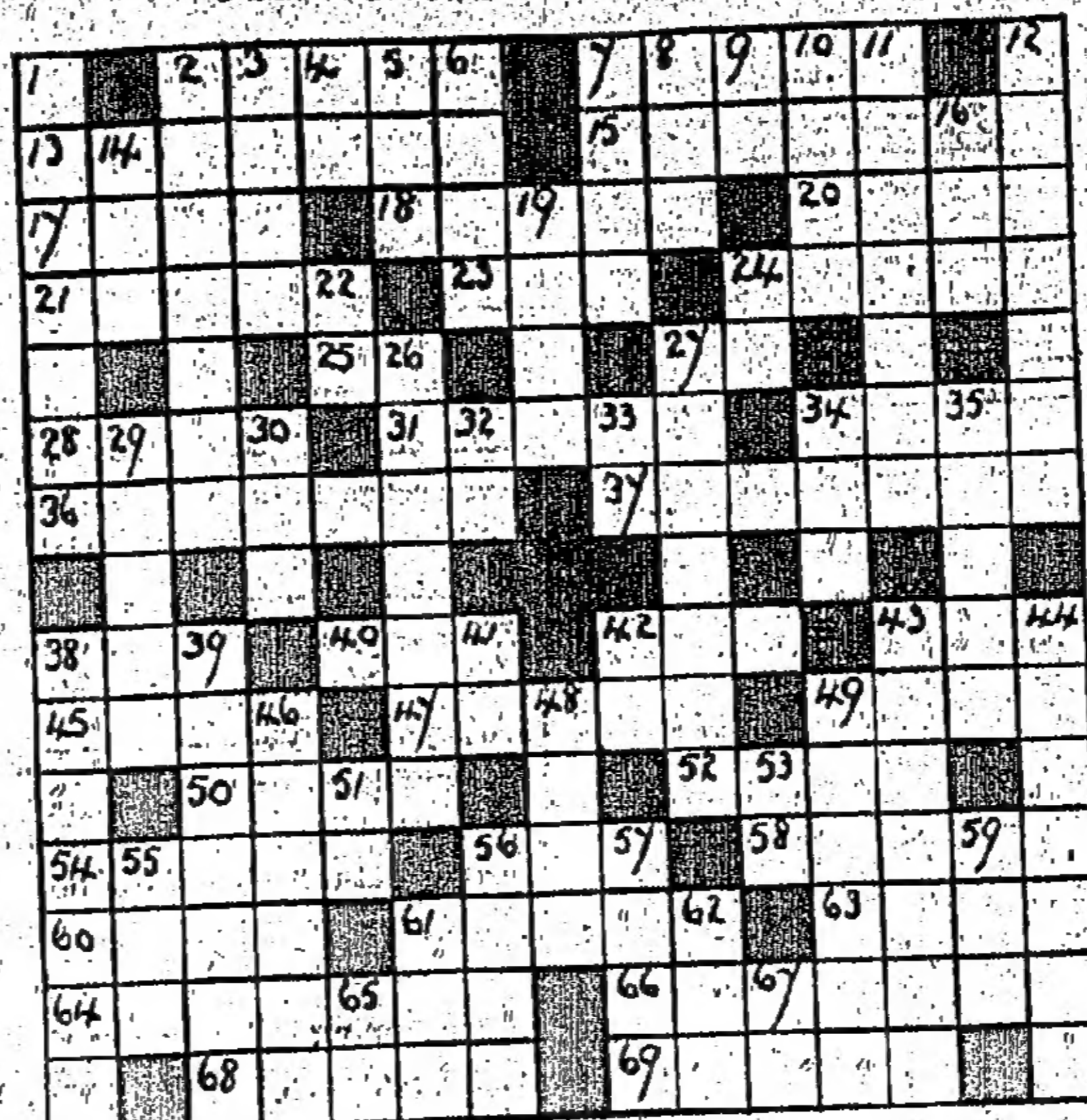
Great Britain, Belgium, Italy and Rumania are appointing experts in international criminal law, and Australia, the United States and the Netherlands are appointing representatives of their respective public prosecutors.—*Reuter.*

CREDIT INSURANCE.

**AUSTRIA'S BUSINESS WITH
RUSSIA.**

Vienna, Dec. 11.
A credit insurance organisation, with a capital of £150,000 is being formed under Government auspices for the purpose of safeguarding business with Russia.—*Reuter.*

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



Across.

- Commonplace.
- To bring low.
- A marine shell found on Pacific Coasts.
- A form of punishment.
- Sharp to the taste.
- A small drum.
- Pertaining to wings.
- A tartar deposit.
- A wooden pin.
- To run roughly together.
- Indefinite article.
- Thus.
- Put down.
- General applause.
- Moorish post on a ship.
- Elevate.
- Cuban trees the wood of which is used for shipbuilding.
- Wages.
- Troublesome child.
- Cyclists organisation.
- An insect.
- Inhabitant of the East.
- Scene of confusion.
- Vehicles.
- Roman Emperor.
- See Signature of Archbishop.
- Step lightly.
- Trouble.
- Mistake.
- Superficial extent.
- Performed.
- Girl's name.
- Pertinent.
- Furnished with sinews.
- Dissenting bodies.
- Germ.

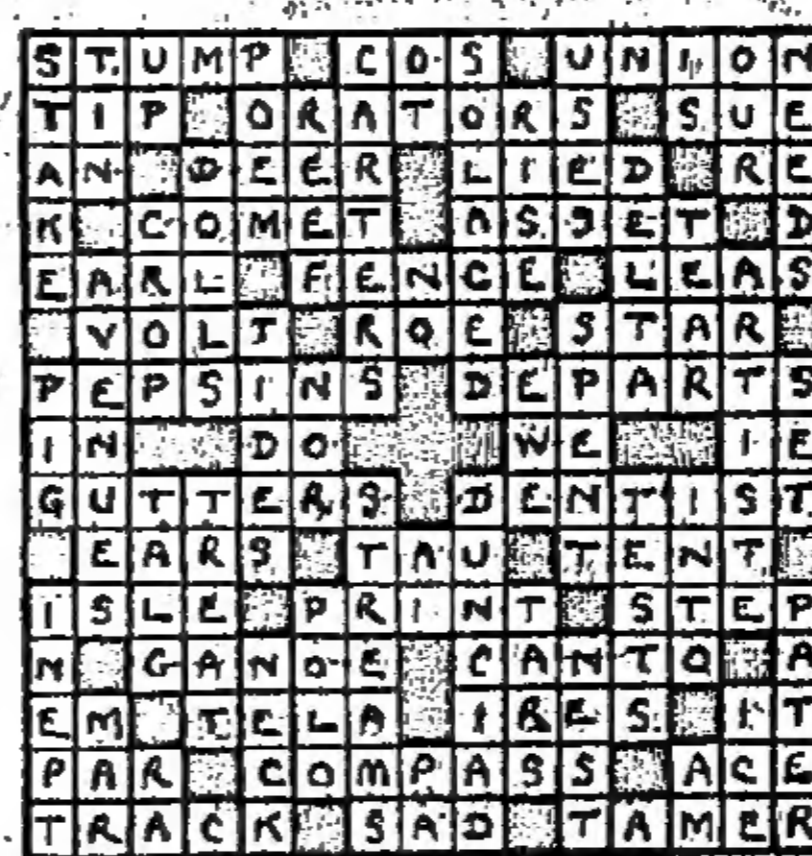
Down.

- Fit to be eaten.
- A compact of sale.
- A singer.
- Negative.
- An insect.
- Thin.
- In eager excitement.
- A barrier.
- Indefinite article.
- Celestial body.
- Derived from gall nuts.
- Highways.

Across.

- An obstacle.
- Consume.
- Bubble up.
- Sixth note of scale.
- Depart.
- Chinese lotus.
- To surprise.
- Wrath.
- Small child.
- Civil Engineer (abb.)
- Roman copper coin.
- Large.
- Root.
- A strip of cloth.
- Makers of leather.
- Father.
- Church of England (abb.)
- Hand vehicles.
- A platform.
- Passed from one state to another.
- Used by anglers.
- Fastened with cords.
- In the matter of.
- Exist.
- Part of verb "to be."
- Four in fifty-two cards.
- Not so much.
- Raw metal.
- An insect.
- Expire.
- A period.
- Point of compass.

Saturday's Puzzle.



AMERICAN NAVY.

**INCREASED APPROPRIATIONS
URGED.**

Washington, Dec. 12.
The annual report of Mr. Wilbur, Secretary of the Navy, to President Coolidge contains a strong appeal to the Government to loosen its purse strings in order that the Navy may be maintained at the full strength permitted by law.

Mr. Wilbur says that with the limited funds available it has been necessary to concentrate on repairs rather than on alterations required to keep first line ships up to their proper standards for fleet service. There are 50,150 officers on the roll for 1926, being 3,309 under strength.

It is also impossible for the same reason to maintain the "required" 86,000 enlisted strength by 4,000. Mr. Wilbur urges that the nominations to the Annapolis Naval Academy be restored to the basis of five for each member of Congress instead of its present three, necessitated by cuts in the naval estimates.

OBITUARY.

**FRENCH DRAMATIST AND
POET.**

Paris, Dec. 12.
The death has occurred of the Academician poet, Jean Richepin.—*Reuter.*

Construction of Airships.
Referring to the failure hitherto, owing to lack of supplies, to begin the construction projected on the six million cubic feet airships, Mr. Wilbur observes that some concern is felt by air officials because the supply of helium obtainable at the plant at Fort Worth, Texas, is dwindling.

The report records notable improvement in anti-aircraft gunnery and announces that power-propelled catapults are being installed on battleships for the launching of observation and scouting planes. Mr. Wilbur describes the general health of the United States Navy as excellent, the daily sick total being under three and the desertions the lowest on record.—*Reuter's American Service.*

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The Telegraph

MONDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1926.

DIVORCE PROCEEDINGS

There will doubtless be much
talk on Saturday asking that
the question of the increased hospital
charges be reopened gave an inter-
esting statement of his average
monthly outgoings, designed to
show that the new rates would, in
case of serious sickness, make fur-
ther inroads on his family budget.
There are items in his expenses
which would appear to be some-
what unnecessarily high, for exam-
ple, as \$200 per month for
provisions, but these do not affect
his main point that, at a time when
living costs are on the upward
grade, it is a distinct hardship to
have already high hospital charges
increased. When the question was
raised during the Budget discus-
sion, the Unofficials asked for fur-
ther information and a sessional
paper was promised. This has now
been issued, but, as we have al-
ready stated in a previous comment,
this document does not supply any
reason why the Government should
have suddenly decided to change its
attitude. No new arguments were
disclosed to warrant a reversal of
previous policy, and it will be inter-
esting to see whether the Unofficials
are satisfied that a reasonable case
has been made out on the doctors' be-
half. The plea for a revision of the
rates was based on the sugges-
tion, that people who could well
afford to pay more have been in the
habit of taking advantage of the
old Government rates, but we think
that is a distortion of the facts, and
we have no doubt that if an anal-
ysis were made of cases treated at
the Government Civil Hospital it
would be found that the patients
have been of a type who could ill
afford to pay doctors' charges on
top of the hospital fees. True, the
P.C.M.O. has power to waive cer-
tain charges in cases where he
thinks the patient cannot afford
to pay them, but such an arrange-
ment places both that official and
the patient in a most invidious
position. It seems to us that the
whole question of cheaper, rather
than dearer, hospital rates for
Europeans needs thorough inves-
tigation.

EXCHANGE RATES.

Paris	123
Rugby, Dec. 12	123
Brussels	24.86
Amsterdam	12.13 1/2
Berlin	20.38 1/2
Copenhagen	18.21 1/2
Vienna	34.39
Helsingfors	192.55
Lisbon	2.17 1/2
Buenos Aires	2.74 1/2
Shanghai	2.07 3/4
Yokohama	2.07 3/4
New York	4.84 1/2
Geneva	25.10
Milan	107
Stockholm	18.15 1/2
Oslo	19.20
Prague	163 11/16
Madrid	31.80
Rio	5 1/2
Bombay	1/5 47/64
Hongkong	1/11
Silver (spot)	24.15/16
Silver (forward)	25

—British Wireless.

A tender has been accepted for
the construction of a steel twin-
screw yacht for H.E. the Governor
of the Straits Settlements to re-
place the Seabelle, which has
been in commission since 1883,
rendering honourable service to
a long succession of Governors,
and the Seamew, which came
later and has long since been dis-
carded. The successful tenderer
were J. S. White and Co., the
well-known yacht builders of
Cowes, Isle of Wight. The price
is £73,750, and the contract pro-
vides for delivery within forty-
eight weeks of acceptance, so that
the new yacht should be in com-
mission in Malayan waters in
less than a year.

DAY-BY-DAY.

IT IS THE MOTIVE THAT MORE
THAN ANYTHING ELSE REndERS AN
ACTION GOOD OR BAD.—Augustus
Hare.

The only case of notifiable disease
reported over the week-end was one
Chinese occurrence of diphtheria.

The P. and O. s.s. Mantua from
Hongkong arrived at Marseilles on
the 10th December at noon.

Among the passengers arriving
from Home by the s.s. Aconia were
Mr. and Mrs. A. Ritchie, Mrs. E. R.
Dovey, Mr. and Mrs. D. Harvey
and Mr. J. Owen Hughes.

Moderate east winds and fine
weather are predicted for the
twenty-four hours ending at noon
to-morrow, by to-day's report of
the Royal Observatory.

The many friends of Mr. J.
Scott Harston, who underwent an
operation for appendicitis in the
Peak Hospital on Saturday, will be
pleased to learn that he is making
good progress.

The many friends of Major L.
Cassel will be glad to hear that he
is progressing so well towards re-
covery that he expects to be dis-
charged from hospital, where he
has been a patient for some two
months, during the present week.

Acting under doctor's orders
the Bishop of Victoria has been
obliged to cancel all engagements
as far as possible for the remain-
der of the month, except those
connected with the Bishop of
London's visit.

From Messrs. Lane, Crawford,
Ltd., we have received a useful desk
calendar, and also, desk and pocket
calendars issued by Messrs. Culler
Palmer, and the White Horse Dis-
tillers, Ltd., for which well-known
firms, Messrs. Lane, Crawford are
the local agents.

Among the passengers who left
the Colony on the s.s. Macedonia
for Europe on Saturday were Sir
Ronald and Lady Macleay, Rear
Admiral A.J.B. Stirling, Mrs.
and Miss Stirling, Lieut.-Comdr.
C. C. Alexander, Pay-Lieut.
E. D. T. Churcher, Dr. J. L. and
Mrs. Shellshear, Mr. S. B. B.
McElderry, Mr. C. E. L. Grist and
Insp. and Mrs. W. Pincoff.

Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, Deputy
Superintendent of Police, returned
to the Colony on the P. and O.
Malwa on Friday after an enjoy-
able leave spent at Home. Follow-
ing an established practice, Mr.
Wodehouse gave part of his time,
whilst in England, to enlisting and
examining recruits, and ten men
were recently sent out by him for
service here.

Mrs. Compton-Smith left Liver-
pool on November 8 for Hongkong
to become the wife of Major G. L.
Peterson, R.A.S.C. Rarely has the
House of Commons been more
moved than when Sir Hamar
Greenwood, at that time Chief
Secretary for Ireland, read the last
letter written by Major Geoffrey
Lees Compton-Smith to his wife,
after being captured by Sinn
Feiners whilst unarmoured at Blarney.
Even his captors were inspired by
the gallant spirit in which he
accepted the situation. Mrs.
Compton-Smith is Gladys Mary,
youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs.
E. W. M. Lloyd, of Winchfield,
Hants. Her first husband was a
major in the Royal Welsh
Fusiliers, and had been wounded
in action at the time of their
marriage in 1916. Mrs. Compton-
Smith was awarded £10,000 in the
Recorder's Court of Cork after the
great tragedy of her life.

The third meeting of the Pan-
Pacific Congress of Science was
held at Tokyo, in Japan, this year.
Several hundred noted scientists
from all parts of the world were
present. The idea of holding such
a representative gathering of
Scientists first matured in 1920,
when a Congress was held at
Honolulu, three years later they
met at both Sydney and Melbourne
in Australia, and this year in
Japan. The representative ap-
pointed by the Commonwealth Gov-
ernment of Australia for the
Seismological section was Fr.
Pigot, S.J., Director of the impor-
tant observatory of St. Ignatius
College, Sydney. Fr. Pigot is re-
turning to his College in Sydney,
where he was a fellow-worker
with Fr. Byrne, one of the two Je-
suits who came to Hongkong last
week. At the Congress Dr. Pigot
acted, in conjunction with Dr.
Matsuyama D-Sei, of Kyoto Im-
perial University, as Secretary for
the Seismological Section. For
his short visit, of one day to Hong-
kong he has been the guest of
Bishop Valitoria.

"THE PIRATES"

ANOTHER BIG SUCCESS.

The large audience at the
Theatre Royal on Saturday night
thoroughly endorsed the verdict
given on Friday that the Phil-
harmonic Society has eclipsed all
previous performances by the all-
round excellence of its production
of "The Pirates of Penzance."
The stage effects, the lighting and
the dressing of the piece are be-
yond reproach, and with a really
fine chorus, excellent principals
and a well-balanced orchestra,
there are all the essentials of
success. A special tribute is due
to Mr. W. R. Fleming, the hon-
orary conductor, who must have put in
many weeks of very hard work to
bring the musical side of the show
up to such a stage of excellence.
It says much for the control
which he has over such a large
combination of vocalists and in-
strumentalists that Saturday's
performance went through with-
out a single hitch or the least
hesitation on the part of soloists
or chorus.

Of the principals, Mrs. Bowes-
Smith again demonstrated her
skill and charm as a vocalist and
a very natural demeanour when
acting. All her work bore the hall-
mark of excellence and so dainty
and fresh was her singing,
that she was more than once
recalled. Mrs. Watt, as the pirate
maid-of-all-works, could hardly
have been bettered. She suited
the part to a nicety and her rich
contralto voice and clear enuncia-
tion won her much applause. Of
Mr. A. J. Brock as the Major
General it is sufficient to say that
he was quite as big a success as
he was when playing the part of
the Lord Chancellor in "Iolanthe"
—and that is saying a great deal.
Mr. D. M. Richards, in the role
of Frederic, had probably the
heaviest part in the piece, and on
Saturday he was in first-rate form,
showing a distinct improvement

CORRESPONDENCE.

HOSPITAL CHARGES.

[To the Editor of the Hongkong
Telegraph.]

Sir,—I have read with much
pleasure the protest of
"Speechless" and hope that he will
continue to agitate not only on
his own behalf but for the many
less fortunate than himself.
There are many women with
twice his number to keep who
have, to do it on not quite half
his salary, so one can well im-
agine the perpetual nightmare
they live in. Can one put by
anything for a rainy day on such
a princely income? If he is in
debt, even though "not to a seri-
ous extent," can one blame those
less fortunate if they are? For
such women life is one perpetual
round—work, bed, work—and a
burden of worry. Can one won-
der that the faces one sees on
ferries and trains are anything
but radiant?

I hope others will protest and
that the Resident Associations
will act on the advice you, Sir,
suggested.—Yours, etc.,
GRAYHEAD BEFORE HER TIME.
Hongkong, Dec. 12th, 1926.

over the initial performance.
Although scarcely blustering
enough for our conception of a
pirate king, Mr. R. M. Keown
acted and sang with marked suc-
cess, whilst as the sergeant of
police Engineer, Lieut. Beddells
was faultless; one cannot conceive
the part being better taken.
The Pirates is certainly a
bright and colourful show and
should no account be missed.
There are four more performances
—to-night, a matinee on Wednes-
day, and further night productions
on Friday and Saturday. His
Excellency the Governor and
party are attending to-night.

The Very Idea!

Not many people have ever A jeweller replaced a few rusted
heard of Button Gwinnet. But, parts and Anderson claims the
known or unknown, the signature watch keeps excellent time.
of this fellow is the second most
expensive autograph in the world. Laszlo Kordas of Hungary
The only name bringing an even wishes to be remembered by the
more fabulous sum is that of Wil- world as a "stable boy." For
liam Shakespeare. Only six au- forty years he has been employed
thentic signatures of Shakespeare at Hortobagy in the lowlands of
have ever been found. Many of Hungary. Kordas is now almost
his autographs were destroyed in sixty years old. During his life
the great London fire. Button he has saved more than a thou-
Gwinnet signed the Declaration of sand dollars with which he is now
Independence. It must have been erecting a crypt in which he
about the only time he ever wrote-wishes to be buried when he dies.
his name, for no other signature On top of the crypt he is placing a
ever has been found. The mar- life-size statue of himself at work
ket value of a Gwinnet autograph carrying his favourite horse.
is about \$50,000. Shakespeare's is worth about \$600,000. On the
other hand, a Washington, Napo- The Rev. Dr. J.—is among us
leon, Lincoln or even kingly au- for a brief season. He says, and
tograph is worth only about \$50, does exactly as he thinks right,
because they signed their names without regard for the opinions
too often! A reversal of the or beliefs of anyone else. His
tables in this autograph realm— wife is not with him.
it's quantity that counts rather
than quality.

The stop light was against
him, now
His car is on the blink.
The reason is, he did not stop
To even stop to think.

What do movie people do dur-
ing their spare time? Douglas
Fairbanks and Mary Pickford had
a day off recently so they jour-
neyed over to the First National
studio to look around. Will
cinema people never get enough
of the celluloid atmosphere?

A bird fancier was in the act
of releasing some carrier pigeons
recently when he was accosted by
a passer-by.
"Excuse me, sir," the stranger
said "but how far do pigeons fly
as a rule?"
"Oh, thousands of miles, some-
times."

"And don't they ever get lost?"
"Well, I used to lose one now
and then, but I've had all my birds
crossed with parrots, and when
they get lost they can ask their
way home."

The annual "long lost watch"
has been found, this time by
Richard Anderson of Kansas, who
over to an obliging aunt. "Cer-
tainly," wrote his mother in reply
to her offer: "the baby will be
sent as soon as it is weaned; and
if anyone else would like one,
please remember that there are
others."

The recent ban on the hoof-
shaking-modification of St. Vitus
dance, the Charleston, until re-
cently barred from most of the
leading London hotels and res-
taurants, has been lifted. Hotel
managers now claim that a mod-
ification of the dance, adopted in
London, has made of it a grace-
ful, smooth dance, in place of the
sudden lurches and fidgety jumps
that marked the old Charleston.

Probably there is only one per-
son who has more reason than the
Prince of Wales to resent the
public dinner, and that is the
Lord Mayor. Few are the Lord
Mayors who know what it is to
have a quiet evening at home. A
third and lowlier class of victim
is the reporter. The late Mr. H.
J. Jennings recorded that he had,
in a journalistic capacity, attend-
ed 7,000 public dinners and heard
some 30,000 speeches, "a large
part of which was largely com-
posed of hums and haws."

Cases of dislike of children are
not unknown even in less econ-
omic communities. Mr. Augustus
Hare tells that his own arrival
was very unwelcome to his
parents, who promptly handed him
over to an obliging aunt. "Cer-
tainly," wrote his mother in reply
to her offer: "the baby will be
sent as soon as it is weaned; and
if anyone else would like one,
please remember that there are
others."

KANSU HORRORS.

TROOPS AS REAL BRIGANDS.

TERRIBLE OUTRAGES.

After long negotiations with the Northwestern Army, the remnants of the Lungtung forces recently joined the 2nd Kuomintang, writes the Kansu correspondent of the *Shanghai Mercury*. It is believed that their negotiations with the 1st army only were a plan to save the face. Brigadier-General Han, who is in high command over the remaining Lungtung troops, put up so pretentious demands, that the negotiations were broken off. His joining the 2nd army is said to be a way to 'come down' to Shensi where he probably will go over to the Allies. This has been his plan all the time, but he and his troops have been closely guarded by the first army. The Tupan of Kansu is said to have a grudge towards the 2nd army for their acting so independently of him.

REAL BRIGANDS.

The morale of this army is very bad indeed. They are real brigands. They have entered Kansu a few times and have looted several villages. When they suspected that the people had money buried at some place they burnt them until they confessed where the money was hidden. Several persons were hung by the hair, while a fire of straw was lit under them. Some of their troops came to this city some time ago to get ammunition from the First Army, and then against the order of Tupan Liu Yu-feng they stayed here for about a week. Those days the people scarcely dared to go on the streets, because these soldiers snatched their shoes from off their feet. At last the Magistrate told them that if they did not leave quickly, they would be regarded as enemies. Then they moved eastwards.

TROOPS POURING TO SHENSI.

Troops, belonging to the Northwestern Army, have been pouring through to Shensi for a long time, General Yu Yu-ren and Brigadier General Sun Liang-cheng recently went down, too. A few days ago Mohammedan General Ma Hung-kueh moved eastward with the 7th division. Tupan Liu Yu-feng is said to have ordered him to do so long ago, but he has refused saying that the support offered of \$8,000 a month for one division was far from enough. He demanded \$30,000. At last the Tupan had to give him \$10,000 and a considerable supply of feed for the horses. The attitude of the Mohammedan leaders is alleged to be very doubtful. At present they dare not oppose the Kuomintang, but what they are going to do if the Allies will prove victorious is another story.

KUOMINTANG AND RUSSIANS.

As to the Kuomintang and Bolshevism, they at first were very careful, saying that they knew nothing about the Reds. And the people were inclined to believe that the rumours of Red influence in the army were due to propaganda by the enemy. But now the army have revealed their true colours. About three weeks ago General Yu Yu-ren passed through, and he was accompanied by four Russians, one of whom is said to have been a General in the Soviet army in Russia. Then the Bolshevik propaganda commenced. The Russians used their opportunity propagating Bolshevism and stirring up the people against the "imperialistic foreigners." One of them gave a speech in Ping-liang as to the meaning of the red colour, having put up a red tablet before the public.

At another place one of the Russians, who could speak Chinese, had done his very best to persuade an evangelist not to continue serving the foreigners. He said that he had once been a Christian preacher in Russia, but had left that work because there was too much unrighteousness in Christianity.

"The foreigners," he said, "live in splendid houses and have big salaries, while you, their employees, have to work hard for insufficient support. We have the Gospel of righteousness. Only follow us, and you will be happy." In Pingliang the Kuomintang have painted a big map on a large stone, showing all the places the foreigners have "usurped" in China. A long list of the sins of the foreigners is also written on the stone. The five-coloured

MOTOR CAR OVER PRECIPICE.

SINGAPORE MOTORISTS' ESCAPE.

A LUCKY JUMP.

A motor accident befell Mr. E. S. Davies, of Singapore, and another passenger on the 1st inst. at the Kajching Pass, 12 miles from Kuala Lumpur.

It would appear that Mr. Davies left Kuala Lumpur in his Berlet car, intending to visit Rawang on business. At the 18th mile, Mr. Davies, thinking it was getting too late, changed his mind and turned back.

All went well up to the 12th mile when, negotiating a nasty corner, on the left of which was a big precipice, the car skidded and Mr. Davies completely lost control.

In the nick of time, Mr. Davies shouted to his companion to jump off and himself leaped out just as the car went over the precipice, both lives thus being miraculously saved.

The car lies at the bottom of the precipice in a totally wrecked condition.

Mr. Davies's companion escaped uninjured, but Mr. Davies was not so fortunate as he sustained a sprained knee and received several scratches.

FAMOUS AMATEUR TO FIGHT.

EAGAN MATCHED WITH STOKER ADDISON.

Eddie Eagan, amateur heavyweight champion of England and America, heavyweight champion of Olympic Games, 1920, intercollegiate champion of America, is to fight in Hongkong on December 21st.

He has been matched with Stoker Addison, of H.M.S. Hermes, who has given some fine exhibitions in the Hongkong ring, the contest between one of two six minute rounds.

Mr. E. Eagan, to correctly title him, is, in fact, the world's amateur heavyweight champion.

ANDRE DUPRE HERE.

WILLING TO MEET CARTLIDGE.

Andre Dupre, whose memorable fights with Jim Cartledge were the feature of the 1925-26 boxing season, arrived in the Colony this morning, and has expressed a willingness to meet Cartledge again on a winner-take-all basis.

If the arrangement is possible, the Hongkong public would welcome the match—"WANDERER."

He has sparred with Jack Dempsey, Tommy Gibbons, and others well known in heavyweight championship circles, and all hold high opinions of his skill and aggressiveness.

Eagan is 27 years of age, stands 5 ft 9 in., and weighs 12st. 12lb. In Sydney recently he met J. D. Brancourt, the heavyweight champion and knocked him out.

Which sounds more remarkable when it is pointed out that Brancourt is 6ft 10½ in. in height, weighs nearly 18 stone, and has a reach of 84½ inches.

The Club de Recreio met the Craigengower Cricket Club in a mixed tennis match at the latter's ground yesterday. Craigengower were beaten by 16 games, scoring 118 to their opponents' 134.

Cape Town, Dec. 12. Sixteen men and one woman from the Transvaal, all British, have been deported under the Immigration Act, chiefly for illicit liquor selling.—*Reuter*.

Chinese flag is almost out of use. They are using a red flag with a white sun on it. Here all the shops in the city have been forced to make such flags. Now all the streets are decorated with them in commemoration of the late Doctor Sun Yat-sen.

EXIT THE ALLIES.

CLEARING OUT OF GERMANY.

IMPORTANT AGREEMENT.

Geneva, Dec. 12.

The final meeting of the Foreign Ministers represented at the present session of the Council of the League of Nations reached an agreement on the following points:

The date January 1st, next was chosen for the cessation of the Inter-Allied Military Commission, but, in the interval, the Commission is to examine fresh proposals to be submitted by Germany for the purpose of satisfying the two Allied demands. Meanwhile, the German Government was undertaken to suspend all military works on the eastern frontier. Furthermore, if the Control Commission and the German delegates fail to reach an agreement the Investigating Commission of the League be informed of the developments by the League Council, until the Commission formally assumes its functions on January 31.

ALTERNATIVE PROVISIONS.

The agreements also provided that as from January 31st, Article 213 of the Treaty of Versailles, whereby Germany undertakes in every way to facilitate any investigation desired by the League Council will be applied in accordance with conditions laid down by the council. If by January 31, contrary to expectation, an amicable agreement is not reached between the Allies and Germany, the questions pending will be submitted to the Council of League, each Government represented on the Amasadors Conference to be permitted to attach to its Embassy in Berlin, a technical expert authorised to reach an agreement with the competent German authorities on all disputed questions.

THE ALLIED DEMANDS.

The two Allied demands mentioned above, relate to German fortifications on the eastern frontier and the export of war material from Germany.—*Reuter*.

COMMISSIONS OF INVESTIGATION.

The League Council has approved of the following officers as Chairmen of the Commissions of Investigation in connection with the execution of the military, naval and air clauses of the Peace Treaties:—For Germany, General Baratier (France); for Austria, General Mariotti; for Bulgaria, a Superior Officer of the Dutch Army not yet named; and for Hungary, General Bonham Carter (England). The appointments are to date respectively from the termination of the present appointments expiring in January and February next.—*Reuter*.

NICARAGUAN TROUBLES.

GENERAL DIAZ AGAIN ACCUSES MEXICO.

Managua, Dec. 12.

General Diaz, President of Nicaragua has issued a manifesto re-declaring that the Mexican Government is actively supporting the revolution in Nicaragua, and accusing President Calles of desiring to establish "a political order in Nicaragua which will follow the recent sinister example in Mexico." He also declares that he has reliable information that Mexican gunboats are about to convey an armed expedition against the present conservative regime, and concludes by appealing for support from all Nicaraguans and promising them an equitable participation in Governmental activities.—*Reuter's American Service*.

The master of the s.s. Siang Bo reports the death of a deck passenger while the vessel was at Port Swettenham.

A derelict junk floating 17 miles N. by N. from Waglan was sighted by the master of the s.s. Lok Sun.

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DISPUTE OVER BOND.

CLAIM AGAINST BREWER AND CO.

The case arising out of the dispute between Mr. N. I. Brewer, Victoria Hotel, Kowloon, and Messrs. Pedder Street, again came before Mr. Justice Wood this morning, when legal argument was heard on the part of Mr. M. W. Lo, who is appearing for the defendants Messrs. Brewer and Co. Mr. N. I. Brewer, who was a former partner of the Company and has practised here as a barrister, is conducting his own case.

At the first hearing the plaintiff asked to be exonerated from a security bond of \$1,000 for the landlords, the Chinese Estates, Ltd. He also claimed \$1,000 from the defendants to pay the landlords. It was stated that at the time the bond was signed the plaintiff was a partner of the Company. Mr. Brewer amended the writ to the effect that he claimed \$1,000 in respect of the bond.

This morning, Mr. Lo said the facts were agreed, with the exception as to whether the Chinese Estates, Ltd., had ever made any demand on the plaintiff.

The Secretary of the Chinese Estates, Ltd., was called to give evidence on this point, and he said no such demand had been made.

In reply to Mr. N. I. Brewer, witness agreed that he authorised a certain letter to him through Messrs. Lo and Lo which included the statement that they reserved all rights against him.

Mr. Lo said his defence was twofold, his first point being the question of jurisdiction. The claim, he said, as disclosed by the plaintiff, was purely a claim in equity for the protection of the Court.

His Lordship:—The claim is for a sum of money.

Mr. Lo:—Not for himself. He claims he is entitled to the protection of the Court as surety under a bond because he is liable under it.

His Lordship:—A trustee may sue in Summary Jurisdiction even though the money does not belong to him. The fact that he has no permanent right to use the money for himself does not matter.

Mr. Lo replied that if Mr. Brewer were a partner to-day he would have a right in Common Law or equity to bring the claim. He admitted that a retired partner, such as the plaintiff, was surety for all the debts of the partnership. If he had not signed the bond, he would still be liable for the debts of the partners; but he stood in the position of a surety. He had the right of indemnity against continuing partners.

PARTNERSHIP DISSOLVED.

Remarking that the partnership of Messrs. Brewer and Co. had been dissolved, his Lordship considered how that affected the position.

In reply to questions on that point from his Lordship, Mr. Lo said the name had not been changed. The sole tenant was Mr. Pa co, but the business was still being carried on under the name of Brewer and Co.

His Lordship remarked that it seemed to him that Mr. Pasco was the sole tenant not only by reason of agreement, but also by reason of having his rent accepted. In other words the five year term had ended long ago. If that was so, there had been no default under the lease and the bond was at an end.

Mr. Lo replied that he was not inclined to argue that point. His Lordship later remarked that he understood the position because, naturally enough, Mr. Lo wanted to preserve the lease for his tenant, but it was a point of vital importance which was fatal to Mr. Brewer if it was so. If there had been no lease, there could be no bond.

Mr. Lo said he was prepared to argue the case on its merits apart from that, and his Lordship indicated that he would put the point to Mr. Brewer when he spoke later. Mr. Lo submitted, as his second point, that the plaintiff had no right to the claim, because his right was absolutely governed by the agreement which he signed at the dissolution of the partnership. He contended that the plaintiff could not succeed because he could not bring himself within either the Common Law or Equity.

Mr. Lo's arguments, being concluded, the case was adjourned until 3.15 this afternoon for Mr. Brewer to be heard.

IT IS A NOTE.

(Continued From Page 1.)

BANK'S LIABILITY.

Dealing with the Bank's liability, his Lordship referred to a judgment in which it was held that the maker of a promissory note could not be liable in respect of it to two parties at the same time and said that seemed to express the legal position correctly. The Bank, while its contract was to pay the bearer of the entire note only, was also liable to pay the holder on proof of the destruction of the whole note, or of any unsundered portion of it. Unless, therefore, the defendant Bank could successfully rely on an additional ground of defence which was raised in the pleadings, that would determine the case.

The surviving portion of the note in question had been tendered to the Bank. Evidence which left no room for reasonable doubt had been proffered both to the Bank and to the Court, that the other portions were now no longer in existence. The Bank was therefore liable to pay.

An additional defence advanced on behalf of the defendant Bank was that if it should pay the sum demanded it would still remain liable under Ordinance to pay the Government of Hongkong a tax of one per cent. per annum of the note's value (as a note still in circulation) and also to retain in its vaults in perpetuity a specie of reserve against the note (as a note issued and still uncanceled). It had been submitted that it would be inequitable to hold the Bank liable to pay unless on the production of a document, the cancellation of which could be recorded by means of its serial number. His Lordship expressed himself as not being greatly impressed with that argument.

It seemed to him that if the document were surrendered and cashed, no other conclusion could be drawn except that the issue of the Bank's notes and also the circulation of the Bank's notes was reduced by the value of the note. The reduction relieved the Bank of obligations imposed upon it by the Ordinance. Apart from that view, the custom of the law merchant was also clear that a Bank would pay, on either proof of the destruction of its note, or on the surrender of the surviving portions of a note which had been partially destroyed, on the tender by the holder of such indemnity against loss which the Bank could not reasonably refuse.

GUARANTEE SUGGESTED.

Concluding, his Lordship tentatively suggested that a guarantee be given by a corporation, of like standing with the Bank itself, to refund to the Bank the sum to be paid to the plaintiff, if at any time within a period to be named the manager of the Bank should certify an over-payment made on genuine notes of the series to which the original note in that case belonged. That series, if not the note itself, could be identified. Judgment would be given for the plaintiff on the claim with costs.

BANK MAY APPEAL.

When the judgment was read by his Lordship, it included words to the effect that the plaintiff throughout had expressed her willingness to offer indemnity which would satisfy the Bank and the Bank had expressed itself as willing to pay on an indemnity, but only on one containing the serial number of the issued note. Mr. Potter said he had never understood there was any suggestion of indemnity by the plaintiff. That was, in fact, contrary to the case.

The counsel and his Lordship argued the point for some time and his Lordship said he derived it from a discussion in Court between the legal representatives. However, the point would not affect his judgment, and he would strike it out.

Mr. Potter asked for a stay pending an appeal, and this was granted.

INTER-VARSITY.

OXFORD TWICE BEAT CAMBRIDGE.

London, Dec. 11. At Farnham, in the inter-varsity cross-country run of seven and a half miles, Oxford beat Cambridge by 15 points to 40. At Queen's Club, in the inter-varsity squash racquets, Oxford beat Cambridge by four matches to one.—*Reuter*.

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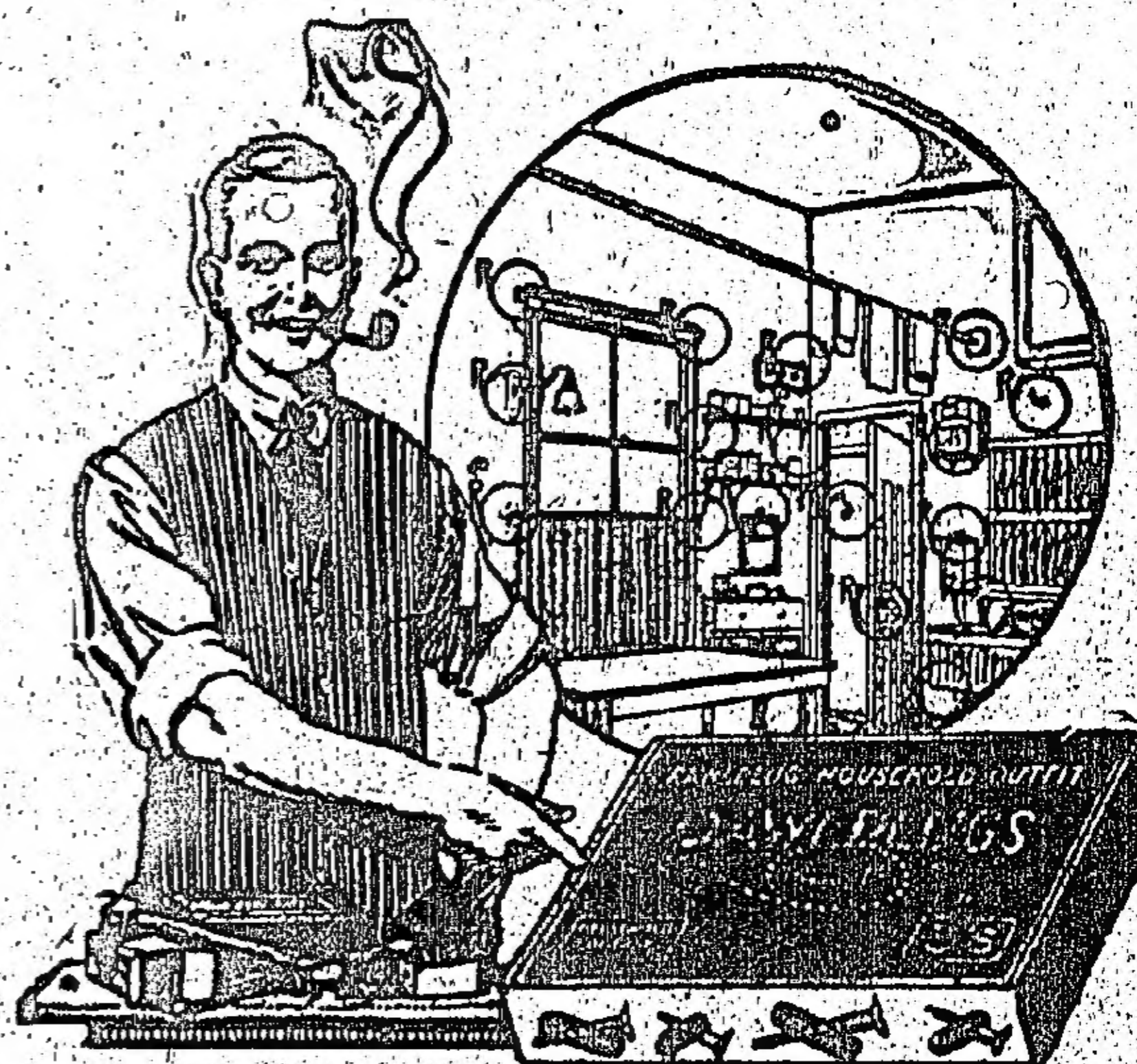
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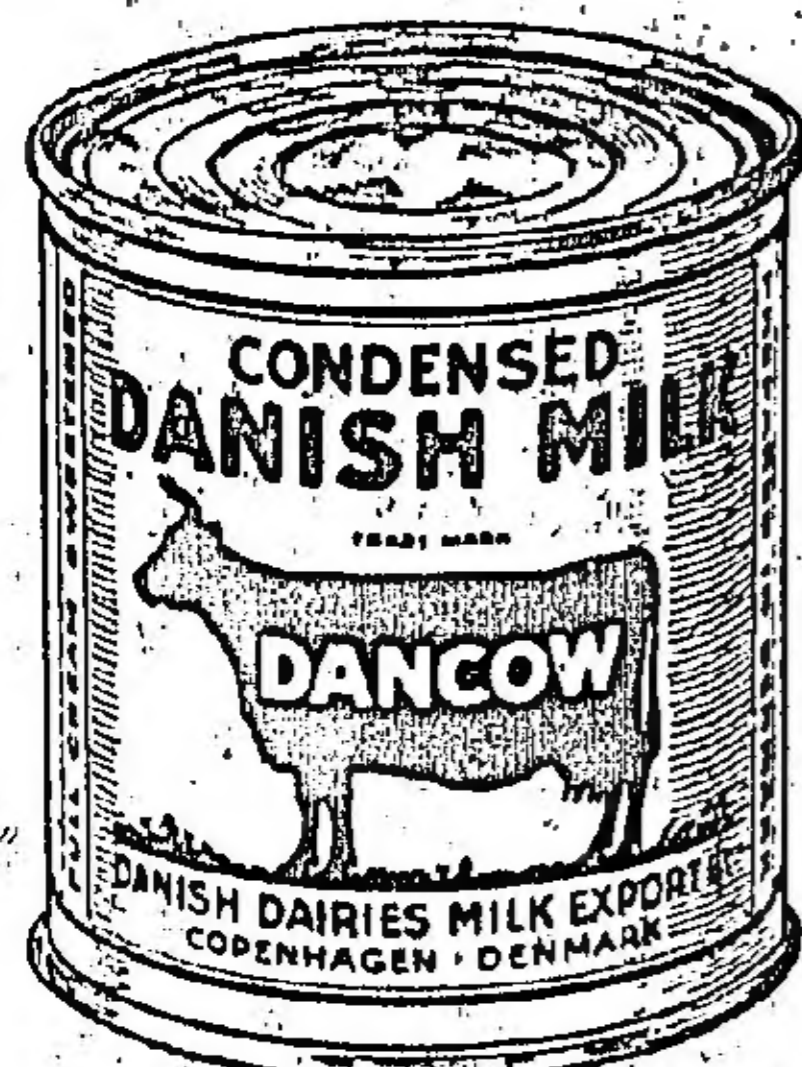
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CHINA WAR.

CANTON WEAKENS ON THE YANGTZE.

Peking, Dec. 11. Well informed Chinese and foreigners recently returning from the Yangtze state that the situation during the past six weeks. They assert that while the Cantonese were welcomed as deliverers on their arrival, heavy taxation, strikes and the lack of control have alienated large numbers of Chinese.

They state that the Hunan Tapan Tang Seng-chi and other militarists merely used the Cantonese in order to rid themselves of dangerous rivals, but that they really do not adhere to the Kuomintang and its principles, nor are they willing to submit to their authority.

They allege that Tang Seng-chi is willing to treat with Chung Kai-shek as an equal, but is not willing to take orders from him, and that a similar situation prevails in Hupoh and Kiangsi, hence the Cantonese position is not so strong as it appears and the main result of the past few months' campaign has been to strengthen the demand for provincial autonomy, the central provinces not desiring the control either of Canton or Mukden.—*Reuter*.

CUSTOMS SURTAX.

Shanghai, Dec. 11. A Japanese telegram from Peking states that Sir F. Aglen has received reports from the Customs at Hankow, Changsha and Kiangsi to the effect that the Southern Government intends to levy surtaxes on imports and exports in those cities.—*Reuter*.

Chefoo, Dec. 11. The Shantung military authorities commenced to-day the collection of a "goods tax" of about two per cent. on all inward and outward parcels.

Owing to the post office refusing to deliver or accept parcels until the tax is paid, it is impossible for Chinese and foreigners to avoid payment.

It is reported that the tax will be extended to freight shipments next week. Merchants and the Chambers of Commerce are protesting.—*Reuter*.

FOG AT NEW YORK.

SCORE OF LINERS AFFECTED.

New York, Dec. 12. Dense fog has caused the most serious tie up for years. Approximately 10,000 passengers are affected. Only four out of twelve liners scheduled to sail have ventured, and only one out of twelve incoming vessels have docked.

The Majestic, with 2,300 people aboard, has delayed her sailing for eleven hours.—*Reuter's American Service*.

Madras, Dec. 12. Swedish missionaries, and others staying with the Governor, welcomed the Crown Prince and Princess of Sweden on their arrival on a visit to India, during which they will be the guests of the Government.—*Reuter*.

BANK CAPITAL.

INCREASE BY NATIONAL CITY BANK OF N. Y.

With reference to the recent announcement in the papers regarding the increased capital of the National City Bank of New York, we are informed by the Manager of the International Banking Corporation that the Directors of the National City Bank of New York voted at their meeting on December 8 to recommend to the Stockholders at the Annual Meeting on January 11, 1927 that the capital be increased by the sale of U.S. \$25,000,000 par value of new stock at U.S. \$200 per share, making the capital of the bank at U.S. \$75,000,000 and surplus U.S. \$50,000,000, in addition to which the Undivided Profits will be in excess of U.S. \$15,000,000.

The National City Company's capital and surplus will be increased from U.S. \$25,000,000 to U.S. \$50,000,000 and Mr. O. E. Mitchell, President of the National City Bank of New York, also announced that many of the branches of the International Banking Corporation would at an early date be transferred to and operated by the National City Bank of New York and that the latter bank would automatically assume all the liabilities of the branches transferred and the change in name would otherwise involve no change in the personnel or staff or in the operation or conduct of the business.

This change involves the branches of the International Banking Corporation in Japan, China, India, Straits Settlements and Java and will come into force at the close of business on December 31, 1926.

So far as the Hongkong office of the International Banking Corporation is concerned, the bank's clients will, we are informed, be

AMBULANCE WORK.

YESTERDAY'S PARADE.

The annual Inter-Division Competition for the Ralphs Shield was commenced yesterday. Each division paraded on the Murray Parade ground at 9 a.m. and drew for the order of going before the Judges.

The Indian Division opened the morning's proceedings, followed in succession by the Y. M. C. A. Division, The King's College, and the Kowloon Divisions. Each division was put through platoon drill and stretcher drill. The Judges were Major Stevenson, R. A. M. C. and Drs. Moore and Milward. The competition will be continued and concluded next Sunday.

Until after the Judges' final rulings, it is impossible to pass any opinion or make any comments on the respective merits of individual divisions. There was, however, a slight but very noticeable lack of steadiness on parade, a fault common to all ranks and all divisions, which can only be cured by more frequent public appearances of the Corps.

The programme for next Sunday consists of the more technical work of the Corps, collecting wounded and treatment of cases, etc.

The officers present were Mr. E. Ralphs (Asst. Commissioner), Mr. A. Morris (Corps Commissioner), Corps Superintendents J. Ralston and G. W. C. Burnett, Divisional Superintendents A. el Arculli and F. K. Ewart, and Ambulance officers Leung Sui-sang, Chak Tai-kwong, Syto Chung, A. H. Rumbach and M. A. Khan.

notified individually of the alterations which involve no real change as the International Banking Corporation has for the last twelve years been owned by the National City Bank of New York.

SANITARY BOARD.

ENCOURAGING N. T. FOOD PRODUCTION.

The following questions are to be asked at a meeting of the Sanitary Board to be held to-morrow afternoon:

Mr. Wong Kwong-tin will ask—
(1) Are applications for restaurant and eating house licences dealt with by the Inspectors of the Department and if so, what check is there that the same are dealt with promptly?

(2) Are the ground surfaces of all premises used as restaurants and eating houses for which licences are applied for, to be opened up, if so, what are the reasons for so doing? Should not houses built after the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance of 1903, be exempted such operations?

Mr. Braga's Questions.

Mr. J. P. Braga will ask—(1) What steps, if any, have the Government taken to carry out the suggestion contained in a report incorporated in that of the Economic Resources Committee (1920), that "both on economic grounds and as a matter of expediency there should be an earnest endeavour to make this Colony self-supporting in so vital a commodity as pig-meat which enters so largely in the dietary of nine-tenths of the population of Hongkong and its dependencies?"

A Cattle Show?

"(2) (a) With a view to make the Colony less dependent on outside sources for its food supply and so as to check the tendency towards higher cost of daily necessities, and to bring down (if possible) the high price of footstuffs, will the Government devise some scheme of bonus payment or other simple method of encouragement to settlers in the New Territories with the object of fostering cattle and poultry farming and pig-breeding, and to cultivate market produce on a larger scale?"

TRADE RETURNS.

FIGURES FOR MONTH OF NOVEMBER.

London, Dec. 11. The Board of Trade returns for November show imports \$113,293,000, an increase of \$2,279,000 compared with October, and exports \$53,033,000, a decrease of \$113,000 compared with October.—*Reuter*.

CUBAN SUGAR.

DECREE ISSUED RESTRICTING THE CROP.

Havana, Dec. 11. President Machado's long waited decree with regard to the sugar crop was issued at midnight. It restricts the crop to 4,800,000 tons and empowers the Secretary of Agriculture to limit each mill's output.—*Reuter*.

Mexico City, Dec. 12.

The Senate has unanimously resolved to support President Calles' stand in the controversy with the United States, asserting it to be a just and patriotic defence of Mexico's sovereignty and laws.—*Reuter's American Service*.

to settlers in the New Territories with the object of fostering cattle and poultry farming and pig-breeding, and to cultivate market produce on a larger scale?"

(b) Is the holding in the New Territory of an annual cattle and poultry show feasible; and, if so, will the Government initiate and help to defray, the cost of such shows with a view to stimulating greater enterprise in agricultural pursuits and farming within the Colony?"



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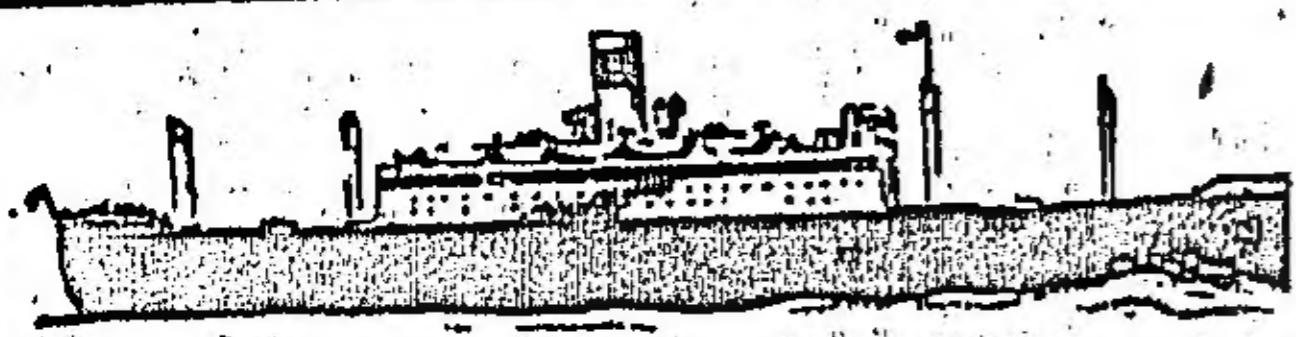
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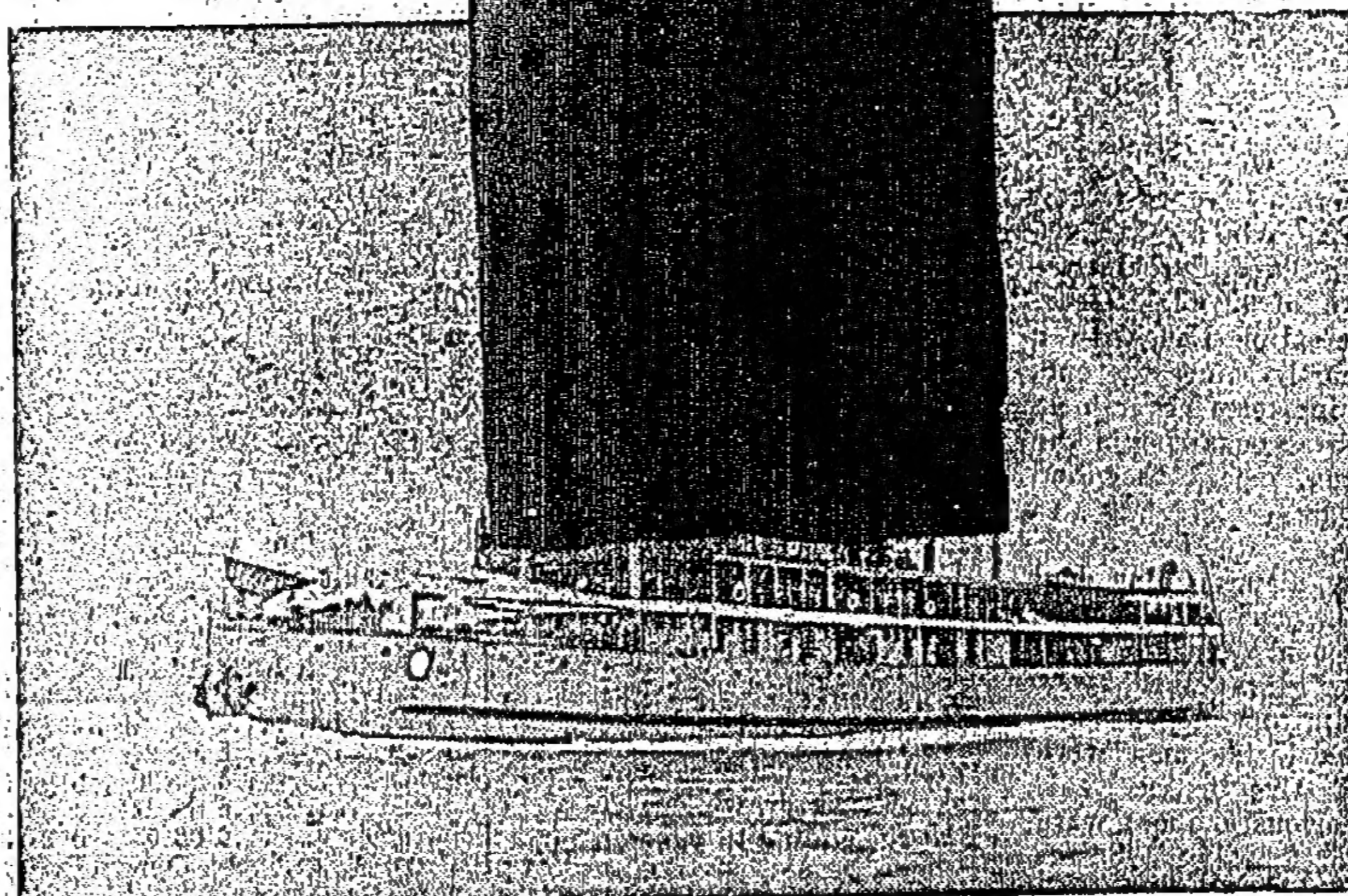
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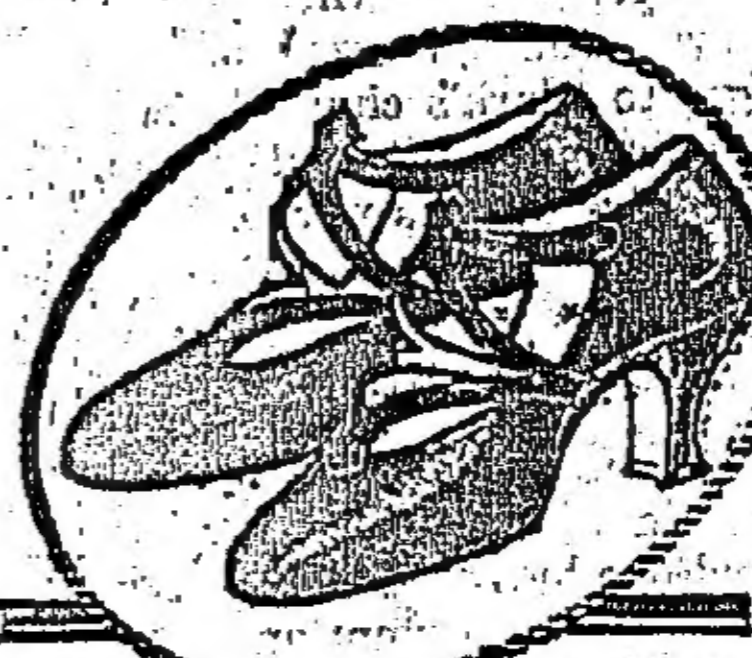
Rome, Dec. 11.
Four actresses were burned to death in a fire which occurred at the Apollo Theatre, which was caused by a short circuit.

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LEAGUE CRICKET.

SATURDAY'S MATCHES.

There were few surprises in Saturday's league matches and only one century was scored. This was made by Lieut. Hankey who obtained 104 for the K.O.S.B. against the Chinese Recreation Club.

THE LEAGUE, DIV. 1.

C.S.C.C. v. R. E. & S.

Playing at home on Saturday, the Civil Service easily defeated the Royal Engineers. The latter batted first and were all dismissed for the low total of 31. Major Greig being top scorer with ten.

The Civil Service compiled 98 for nine wickets, E. C. Fincher scoring 32 and G. R. Sayer 20.

Ling and Sayer accounted for the Engineers' wickets, the former taking five for 14, and the latter five for 17. Goodyear was the most successful bowler on the other side, taking five for 36.

R. N. v. I. R. C.

The Royal Navy defeated the Indian Recreation Club by two wickets at Sookunpo. The Navy scored 119 for eight. (Lt. Com. Armitage 30, Lt. Brewerton 28) and the Indians replied with 104. Curram being top scorer with 32. Cantrell took six for 50; and Gardner four for 14. A. H. Ismail was the most successful I.R.C. bowler, taking four for 30.

K. C. C. v. C. C. C.

The K.C.C. defeated Craigengower in an exciting match. The home team declared at 176 for three, A. W. Ramsay batting freely and being undefeated at 64. The C. C. C. played slow cricket, scoring 91, and being unable to force a draw. Ross took five for 17, clean bowling Mackay with the fourth ball of the last over of the match.

R. C. v. K. O. S. B.

The Chinese Recreation Club put up a very poor show against the K.O.S.B.'s. They batted first and scored 76, of which Youngs compiled 24. Dobbie's bowling was largely responsible for their downfall. He took seven for 31, whilst Hankey took two for 39.

Going in after the tea interval, the K.O.S.B.'s scored 191 for two wickets. Lieut. Hankey scoring 104. He hit hard all round the wicket and obtained twenty-one fours. The Chinese tried seven bowlers, but not one secured a single wicket. Capt. Thorpe was run out at 31 and Lieut. Gregear retired at 35.

DIVISION 11.

Civil Service v. Police.

The Police defeated the Civil Service by 68 runs, the former scoring 105 and the latter 47. Alexander was top scorer for the Police, compiling 31. He also took three wickets for 26 and Lacey six for 17. Gorvin, for the Civil Service, obtained four for 11.

Navy v. K. C. C.

The Navy made a total of 131 (Grant 48, Norris 35) and the K.C.C. succeeded in getting the runs required off the last ball of the match. They scored 134 for the loss of eight wickets. Hancock made 46, and in all five batsmen reached double figures. Hyde, for the K.C.C., took three wickets for 28 and Duncan four for 42.

Club de Recreo v. Tamar.

The Tamar made 144 for nine, and were beaten by the Recreo by six wickets, the latter scoring 149 for four. Five Tamar batsmen reached double figures, while Alves was the most successful Recreo bat, compiling 60 and being unbeaten at the close. Alves also took six wickets for 27.

LEAGUE TABLES.

Division 1.

	P	W	D	L	Pts.
Civil Service	4	3	1	1	7
Indian R. C.	4	2	1	1	7
Hongkong C. C.	4	2	1	1	4
University	3	1	1	1	4
Royal Navy	1	1	1	1	3
Kowloon C. C.	1	1	1	1	3
Royal Artillery	2	1	1	1	3
K. O. S. B.	2	1	1	1	3
Chinese R. C.	3	1	1	1	3
Craigengower C. C.	2	1	1	1	3
Royal Engineers	3	1	1	1	3
Division II.					
Police	3	2	1	1	7
Recreo	3	2	1	1	7
R. A. O. C.	2	2	1	1	6
University	2	1	2	1	5
Indian R. C.	2	1	1	2	4
Kowloon C. C.	2	1	1	2	4
Royal Navy	2	1	1	2	3
Civil Service	2	1	1	2	3
Tamar	4	1	1	1	3
Hongkong C. C.	1	1	1	1	1

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NYANZA	7,023	6th Jan.	S'pore P'ang C'bo & B'bay
MALWA	10,941	8th Jan.	Marseilles & London
KALYAN	9,144	22nd Jan.	M'les L'don A'werp & Hull
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has been ordered to take a long
rest in Southern California.

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America."

Krishnamurti was accepted as a
new teacher by the Theosophical
Society at Queen's Hall London
last summer.

Mrs. Besant was strongly criti-
cised for trying "to force the socie-

ty to accept the new world
teacher," and some members re-
signed.

Krishnamurti went to the States
"to save America from the worship
of materialism."

Efforts were made to stop his
entry by accusing him of moral
turpitude, but they failed.

American Theosophists, resent-
ing the irreverence of journalists
who criticised Krishnamurti's
"Messianic mission," explained
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but "an inspired vehicle of the
force of Christ—an advanced soul,
very pure as the result of a long
past on other planes."

Krishnamurti was educated at
the Sorbonne and Oxford.

The Dover Promenade Pier
which was opened on May 22, 1893,
is to be closed. The structure,
which is 900-ft. long, belongs to
the Admiralty and the Dover Town
Council have served a "dangerous
structure" notice on the owners.

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PRINCE OF WALES IN FRANCE.



The Prince of Wales is here seen on a visit to the Military School at Saint Cyr, France, where he had a fine reception by the Cadets.

POST OFFICE NOTICE.

NOTICE.
Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the
time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised
to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m.
on the previous day.

Correspondence for Canton will be forwarded by train if so super-
scribed. Such correspondence must be posted not later than 7.30 a.m. at
the General Post Office or 7.40 a.m. at Kowloon Post Office for despatch
by the Express Train scheduled to leave Kowloon Railway Station at 8.05
a.m. and to arrive at Canton at 12.20 p.m.

Dutiable articles forwarded by letter post to Great Britain are
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by parcel post only.

INWARD MAILS.		
From	Per	Due
Straits	Takliwa	December 13.
Shanghai	Hector	December 14.
Straits	Fushimi Maru	December 14.
Australia and Manila	Aki Maru	December 17.
Japan and Shanghai	Kashima Maru	December 17.
Manila	Pres. McKinley	December 17.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Wilson	December 17.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Polk	December 20.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	Tango Maru	December 21.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Jefferson	December 21.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Lincoln	December 23.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Empress of Canada	December 23.

OUTWARD MAILS.		
For	Per	Due
Straits, Japan and Europe via Siberia (letters and postcards specially superscribed "via Siberia" only)	Sado Maru	Mon., Dec. 13, 2.30 p.m.
Amoy	Kashmir	Mon., Dec. 13, 2.30 p.m.
Manila	Takliwa	Tues., Dec. 14, 9.30 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan	West Chopaka	Tues., Dec. 14, 9.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Fushimi Maru	Tues., Dec. 14, 5 p.m.
Amoy	Katsu Maru	Wed., Dec. 15, 5 p.m.
Welhaiwei	Shantung	Mon., Dec. 13, 5 p.m.
Saigon	Kueichow	Mon., Dec. 13, 5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Tijpanas	Tues., Dec. 14, 9.30 a.m.
Bangkok	Hailong	Tues., Dec. 14, noon.
Shanghai and Japan	Chinhuu	Tues., Dec. 14, 5 p.m.
Swatow	Fushimi Maru	Tues., Dec. 14, 5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, and S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Kwongsang	Wed., Dec. 15, 8.30 a.m.

Hector Wed., Dec. 15,
Registration .. 9.45 a.m.
Letters 10.30 a.m.
(Due Marseilles 12th Jan., 1927.)

Shanghai and Europe via Siberia
(letters and postcards specially
superscribed "via Siberia" only)
Hailong and Hailong Wed., Dec. 15, 5 p.m.
Katsu Maru Wed., Dec. 15, 5 p.m.
Nanning Thurs., Dec. 16, 8.30 a.m.
Tean Thurs., Dec. 16, 10.30 a.m.
Tjikembang Thurs., Dec. 16, 11.30 a.m.

Calulu Thurs., Dec. 16, 5 p.m.
(Due Sydney about Jan. 10, 1927.)
Patrols Dec. 16, 5 p.m.
Changto Fri., Dec. 17,
Registration .. 9.45 a.m.
Letters 10.30 a.m.
(Due Thursday Island Dec. 23.)

Haining Fri., Dec. 17, 1 p.m.
Kunming Fri., Dec. 17, 5 p.m.
(Due Thursday Island Dec. 23.)

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow
Shanghai
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius,
E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and
Europe via Marseilles

Japan Sat., Dec. 18,
Registration .. 9.45 a.m.
Letters 10.30 a.m.
(Due Marseilles Jan. 16, 1927.)
Aki Maru Sat., Dec. 18, 9 a.m.

Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A.,
C. and S. America and Europe
via Victoria, B.C.

Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada,
U.S.A., C. and S. America and
Europe via San Francisco

Swatow and Bangkok
Amoy
Manila, Australia and New Zealand
via Thursday Island

Bangkok
Swatow
Japan
Sandakan
Straits and Calcutta

Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

At the Marine Court this morn-
ing, the mistress of a passenger
boat was fined \$10 for carrying
seventeen passengers in excess of
the number allowed by her licence
without a conference.

CANTON BANK STRIKE.

FUNDS REMOVED TO
SHAMEN.

A significant and somewhat
humorous aspect of the Canton
bank employees' strike is the fact
that funds belonging to the Banks
involved in the dispute have been
removed for safe-keeping to
Shamen. This information was
gleaned during a *Telegraph* inter-
view with a prominent Chinese
Bank official in Hongkong this
morning.

As has previously been stated,
four well-known Chinese Banks,
whose head offices are in Hong-
kong, have been drawn into the
strike, and, by reason of their
position, are taking a lead in the
negotiations with which five other
native banks are also concerned.
The first measure taken, as soon
as it was known that the Labour
Unions were interesting them-
selves in the matter was the re-
moval of funds and valuables into
Shamen for safe custody, al-
though, on account of the
presence at a later stage of
pickets, it was not possible to take
the books away from the premises.
Monies could not be paid out to
customers in these circumstances,
and it is pointed out that this is
the only cause that has prevented
business from being conducted in
Shamen. Business in Hongkong
is not being seriously affected for
the Banks concerned.

In face of the demands made,
the Bank officials have not moved
from the firm position which they
adopted from the very beginning.
There are some demands the legiti-
macy of which can be considered,
stated our informant, but there are
others which are absurd, and, if
yielded, would practically give the
Unions sponsoring the strike con-
trol over the Banks. When the
officials of the branches at Canton
received the terms that no em-
ployee must be engaged or dis-
charged by the managers, even in
the case of commission of a dis-
honest act, without refer-
ence to the Unions, they
came down to Hongkong for
instructions, and went back with
explicit orders not to concede any
of these. Then the Government at
Canton came into the case as
mediator, but its efforts have so
far been unavailing, either to
bring about a meeting with the
Hongkong managers, or to get the
latter to consent to the temporary
reinstatement of the employees
pending the negotiations.

There have been other discus-
sions between the strikers and
Banks' representatives at Canton,
but the position is still not ad-
vanced nearer the prospect of a
settlement, it was learned this
morning.

Bats in the Belfry are bad
enough but bees on the Bed are
out of the question. Aspirant can-
didates for the approaching Malay
examinations will of course know
that bed-in Borneo means a
small cannon. At mid-day on
Saturday we fire a cannon from
Victoria Barracks to announce the
good tidings that a week-end is
commencing. Last week no gun
boomed and upon enquiry we found
that a swarm of bees had selected
Brown Bess as a honey-making
spot. The gun was loaded ready
for action, but a rear action by
bees dispersed the loyal Constab-
ulary and for the first time in the
history of the force a strategic re-
treat was made. The enemy pur-
sued as far as the office of the
Commandant and then wisely re-
treated. The gun was reloaded the
following day. —B.N.B. Herald.

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"Yes, there are the remains of a fine woman about Ruth."

KOWLOON DRAW.

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Anderson had very little to do.
He brought off two capital saves
in the second half, the first shot
being flashed in by Tin Yuk-on,
a half-back, and the second by
Fung King-cheong, the centre-for-
ward. Apart from these two oc-
casions, Anderson was not seri-
ously tested, and since they took
advantage of one opening, the
K.O.S.B. deserved their success.

The Borderers' forward line has
previously demonstrated how
pretty it can make the game ap-
pear, but they did not play a game
which is likely to produce goals.
McGlinchey's pretty touches made
splendid openings, upon which
Davy and McGovern failed to
improve. Davy tried several
solo runs but they always broke
down at the critical juncture.

A large measure of credit for
the victory must go to the half-
back line, which tackled surely
and distributed the ball to good
purpose. Barham was the pick of
an efficient line.

A POINT THROWN AWAY.

The missing of a penalty
by Suen Kam-shun cost the
Chinese Athletic a point, for
although the same player open-
ed the scoring soon after
the start, and subsequent play ran
in favour of the Chinese, a mis-
understanding between Lai Yuk-
tat and the goalkeeper let in
Robbins who netted for the Tamar
from close range shortly before
the end.

Generally speaking, the defences
were in the ascendancy, the Tamar
forwards failing to make any im-
pression on the resolute Chinese
rearguard until their final burst,
while the robust tackling combined
with brilliant keeping by Avery
kept the Tamar goal intact.

Avery was unsighted when Suen
scored first. Suen put in many
more brilliant shots afterwards, but
Avery was in excellent fettle and
cleared splendidly on every oc-
casion.

There were spells when the
Tamar forwards looked dangerous,
but the finishing was weak, and
Pau Ka-ping was never seriously
troubled.